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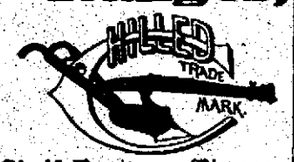

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Whether they shrank at the cold world's scorn
Or walked in the pride of wealth secure;
But whether I live an honest man.
And hold my integrity firm in my clutch,
I tell you brother, plain as I can,
It matters much!

It matters little how long I stay
In a world of sorrow, sin, or care;
Whether in youth I am called away,
Or live till my bones and pate are bare;
But whether I do the best I can
To soften the weight of adversity's touch
On the faded cheek of my fellow-man,
It matters much!

It matters little where be my grave,
Or on the land or on the sea;
By purling brooks or death stormy wave,
It matters little or naught to me;
But whether the angel of Death comes down,
And marks my brow with his loving touch,
As one who shall wear the victor's crown,
It matters much!

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Right Man After All.

Viola had found a lover; or at least, John Ellsworth aspired to that distinction. He had known Viola since she was a little girl at school, and now was trying to win the first place in the young lady's affections.

Two years ago, the paternal Ellsworth had given John on his twenty-third birthday a deed of a small, good farm near his own.

John set about making a home for himself, with one of his half-dozen sisters to manage it, and went at his farming in earnest. And the gossips of the neighborhood went with chins elevated and noses wrinkled when his name was mentioned. The younger female portion thought him rather a desirable object to manœuvre for.

Perhaps that was one reason why Viola had been so gracious to him. It was something to secure without an effort attentions that all the other girls schemed for. But John Ellsworth did not realize her ideal. Under her calm exterior, she dreamed romances of the most vivid rose-pink. She had heard hints and echoes of a world that lay outside her own sphere—a world of lights, and music, and gay dressing; a holiday life, with opera and theatre going nights in it; and days full of unrelented pleasure-seeking.

One June night, driving over to see his lady, John found an unusual flush on her fair, calm face.

She rode with *him*—accepting his invitation in a matter-of-course way that was dreadfully discouraging.

It came out after a little. Mrs. Mornington—a great aunt—had sent for her photograph a month ago, not having seen her since she was a small child.—Two or three days ago had come an invitation for Viola to spend a couple of months with *her*—the great aunt—in New York City, and she was going to morrow.

"It's no use denying," the young fellow said, his voice growing husky, "that I'm sorry for this. I don't know what will come to you from this. You are not contented here—and you never will be till you have had an experience beyond it—perhaps not then. I am not wise to tell you now, I suppose, but I love you, Viola. Mind, I do not ask you now for any return. I will wait for just what the future shall put in your heart to my."

It was a long speech, certainly, for a proposal, but Viola listened very attentively to her first proposal, and her blue eyes softened.

"Indeed, I do care for you, John, and you can't blame me for wanting to go. Aunt needs me, you see, and no one does here particularly. And I've never seen anything of society."

"I know, dear——"

"And I shall not forget you," interrupting him, "I shall always think of you," giving him her hand.

"For two whole months," said he, "Good-bye, then," kissing the hand he held. And then Viola found herself alone and immediately went to finishing her packing.

Viola's next two months were delightful. She was always prettily dressed, and Frank Thorpe passed his available time beside her.

Mrs. Mornington watched the girl narrowly, and when Viola came home the second week in September, it was with an invitation to remain through the winter.

John Ellsworth called on her the night after her return.

"You look well and happy," he said scanning her face.

"I am," she said; and then she told him all about her visit.

"And you are going to settle down with us now?"

"No! I shall stay here only a few days. Aunt is coming for me as she returns from a visit she is paying."

John Ellsworth went away early in the evening, having said no word of what had been in his heart all those long weeks.

"Poor fellow!" Viola said as he went down the moonlight road. And Frank Thorpe's dreamily gray eyes came up before her, and she forgot John Ellsworth's shadowy brown ones.

Mrs. Mornington came and took the young lady away, and Frank Thorpe was again hanging about her—a most desirable matrimonial prize.

The Christmas holidays came and went. Frank Thorpe lounged in on Christmas, and was paler and more listless than ever.

"Frank Thorpe, you are utterly stupid! What is the matter?" asked Mrs. Mornington.

"A general giving way of the system I should say."

"Nonsense! General lasiness. In my day——"

"Oh, my dear madam!" starting up alarmed. "Indeed, I'll reform. I think I'm better already. Miss Viola, I'm intensely interested in the subject occupying your thoughts at present, if you'll tell me what it is," anxiously.

"I was wondering if you were ever in love, and how she treated you," laughed Viola.

Over Thorpe's face rushed a flood of scarlet. He glanced up, and caught Mrs Mornington's sharp eyes on him and flushed again.

Mrs. Mornington gave her first bit of advice to her young charge that night.

"Frank Thorpe is not the kind of a man to trifle with, my dear. I think he is in love with you. You can hardly do better."

"Do better!" raising her broad lids for a full steady look. "I hadn't thought there was to be any calculation. No, Frank doesn't care for me, aunt."

"If he is in love with you so much the better. But come; Mrs. Grove's Christmas ball must be attended."

And Viola went to that ball, and froze Frank Thorpe, who unconscious of offense languidly assumed his usual station near her. There was something glacial and tremendous in her general style this night that provoked and amused Mrs. Mornington. But she was beautiful, too—more beautiful than ever—and so her aunt forgave her.

Among Mrs. Grove's guests that night was a rather grand-looking man, who certainly was no longer young. Having lost one wife, he was now looking out for another. When he was presented to Viola, she was barely civil. Mr. Nicholson seemed to like it.

Frank Thorpe had ceased being frozen. To tell the truth, Viola made the advances. There was a shade more of languor in his manner, and his sad gray eyes had an added shadow; but he sought no explanation.

Restored to sunshine, he accepted that, too, with no particular demonstration, but he seemed to enjoy it. To outside lookers-on, the matter seemed to lie between him and Mr. Nicholson, whose attentions were perfectly straightforward and business-like.

One frosty, sparkling morning, Viola had been out for a walk. On the way she had met Frank Thorpe, *as she was* very apt to do.

He accompanied her home, and entered the house with her. There, Viola, feeling unusually bright, began lecturing him on his purposeless life.

"If I were a man——"

"Thank Heaven, you are not! However, go on."

"You put me out. Mr. Thorpe, why don't you *do* something?"

"Do something? Don't I? I am your devoted attendant three fourths of my waking life."

"Yes; and get yourself and me talked about by everybody. Not that I care certainly," hurriedly to cover her blunder. "I shall chose my friends where I please!" making matters worse.

He sat up with sudden energy and exclaimed, "Miss Viola, if I were a woman——"

"Thank Heaven, you are not."

"Exactly. However, if I were, I certainly would not flirt with that antediluvian relic, Mr. Nicholson."

"Mr. Thorpe, I don't."

"Miss Viola, I beg your pardon, you certainly do."

She looked at him with an astonished red in her cheeks and light in her eyes. Then she laughed frankly and good naturedly.

"You see,"—leaning forward and laying his hand confidentially on her arm, "I can't bear to see a clear-hearted, honest girl lowering herself to the ways of these artificial, brainless girls, who have been bred up all their lives to the business of catching a husband. You don't need any such paltry ambition. Wait till you find a man worth falling in love with, then marry him. Wait *forever* if you don't find him!"

Viola sat motionless with astonishment. If any dumb thing had found a voice, she could not have been more amazed. And she had felt so fully called to administer advice.

While she sat, his hand still on her arm, and her eyes on his face, the door opened, and John Ellsworth was ushered in.

Viola swept towards him, with eager, outstretched hands.

"Why John! Why John! was all she could say.

And Frank Thorpe, being disturbed by the new comer, who was called John and received with such an outbreak of enthusiasm, gathered himself up and lounged away.

John Ellsworth was in town for a fortnight. Mrs. Mornington treated him with great politeness, and was always in the way in the most natural manner in the world, when he came. Viola always accepted his invitations, and when the time came for their fulfillment, there was some unavoidable obstacle in the way. Meantime, Mr. Nicholson's attentions grew more pointed, and Frank Thorpe kept out of the way.

Then Lent came, and there was a sudden cessation of gayety. John was called away by his father's illness, and Viola felt the inevitable reaction. And she did not know that she would live through it, and be ready and eager for another season when the time came.

It was alike everywhere. In the narrow circle out of which she had come there were jealousies, and heartburnings and petty scheming—no better, no worse than she had come to know in the past weeks, though possibly less disguised by smooth, conventional polish of manner. Wait till she met a man she loved! She might wait till she was gray and blind. There had never appeared one to whom she would give a second thought, unless it were—well, perhaps John Ellsworth, if the life that would follow with him were not too narrow to breathe in; or Frank Thorpe, if he were not too lazy to speak. And then, by contrast, came a vision of Mr. Nicholson, and his entire wealth.

If she had shown the first symptom of her moods to Mr. Nicholson, he would have desisted from his attention at once. Here was youth and beauty in a statuesque state of perfection. That was what he wanted—the statuesque: and everybody considered it a settled affair.

I think Viola began to consider it herself. She had just one letter from John Ellsworth after his return, and he had said: "I love you Viola, and am waiting for you."

She did not answer the letter. But she was cross even with Mrs. Mornington for two days after it.

Then she was seized with a fit of homesickness, and but that her friend was taken suddenly and really ill, nothing would have kept her there. Mr. Nicholson came more frequently than *ever*: in his way very kind and considerate. Frank Thorpe was in and out, not so frequently as before that morning when John Ellsworth had come, but often enough to keep himself in her thoughts.

One night, in early spring, Frank Thorpe came and took Viola out for a drive.

"You were looking tired. We may not have another such a night in a month," Frank said.

In the half hour they did not speak half a dozen sentences, and when he set her down at her own door, and held her hand for a minute, as he said "Farewell," Viola felt that they were nearer each other than ever before.

Viola was one morning summoned to the drawing-room to meet Mr. Nicholson. In the occupation of the past weeks she had had very little opportunity to think about him or his purposes. No girl ever went to meet the final question with less determination as to her answer. She knew his errand the moment she entered the room. Not that he was confused, or hesitating, or in any way disconcerted.

"My dear young lady," he said deferentially, "I want your permission to ask you a personal question!"

"You have it, sir."

And then, in a speech more like a set oration than anything else Viola had ever heard, he offered her his hand and fortune.

The thought of saying *no* to such a stately piece of oratory as that, frightened her. But she did say it, very sweetly and gracefully, but also very decidedly, and Mr. Nicholson went away very red in the face and a good deal crest-fallen.

She went upstairs to Mrs. Mornington.

"Aunt, I've done it! And I'm so surprised!"

"At What?"

"I've refused Mr. Nicholson."

"My dear, I always thought you would."

"Did you? You astute woman! And I always fancied that if he asked me to be Mrs. Nicholson, I should say, yes."

"Perhaps you will be sorry by and by that you have said no."

"Perhaps! I shall never be surprised at anything again!"

"From a wordly point of view, you have made a mistake, my dear."

"Don't rack my feelings. They are sufficiently lacerated already."

A servant announced Frank Thorpe.

"Aunt, shall I——" and paused. Even in *her* reckless, over-excited mood, she could not complete the sentence.

"Shall you be kinder to him than you have been to Mr. Nicholson?"

"Don't ask me."

So Viola went down to see her visitor, who was at the full tide of his languid, tired indifference.

"How entertaining you are to-day.—Your conversational powers are something to be wondered at," Viola said at last, impatiently.

"Entertaining?" opening his eyes with mild wonder. "I supposed that was your share of the interview. However, if you like, I'll begin. You are not looking so well as usual this morning."

"Thank you. What a very promising beginning."

"But you have infinitely the advantage of Mr. Nicholson, whom I met just now. He seemed laboring under the impression that there had been an earthquake."

Viola laughed and ended with a half sob.

"And so there had been. There, talk about something else. You needn't be entertaining any more."

"I wonder," leaning towards her, a slow fire gathering in his dreary eyes, "if I should find an earthquake waiting for me if I followed Mr. Nicholson's lead?"

"Miss Rawdon," the servant announced, and that put an end to it all.

Viola reasoned herself into a conviction that she was in love with Frank Thorpe, or if not actually in that condition, that she might easily find herself there. And because passive patience was not possible just then, she gathered up all John Ellsworth's gifts and letters, and put them out of her sight, as if he had anything *to do with it.*

The crisis was not far off. Coming in from an errand that night, she found all the dimly lighted house empty, and went on from room to room, till in the library she opened the door on Frank Thorpe.

"Since you were not at home, I came to find for myself a volume Mrs. Mornington had promised me," he explained. But he closed the door as he gave her a chair, as if the *tete-a-tete* were part of his plan.

She looked up at his pale face and shining eyes, and felt her heart sink. And yet this was the conclusion to which she had reasoned herself a few hours ago.

And then *five minutes of talk*, in which her part had been monosyllable, and Frank Thorpe had proposed and had been accepted; and she was crying quietly, with her head on the library table, and he was walking the room in an *agitato* movement.

"We might as well begin with a clean record," he said, with a great deal of hard earnestness in his voice. "You are not my first love, Viola. Not two years ago she jilted me. I was in an awful spooney condition—there's no denying it; and, for a few weeks, thought it would be the death of me. One morning my letters and trinkets came back to me.—There was not a word of explanation, and I did not choose to ask any. When I had tired myself out, and was in a condition to lie down in dust at her feet, the house was shut up and the family abroad.—That's the whole of it."

"And the young lady's name?"

"Emily Prescott."

"Emily Prescott? Why, that is the young lady I met this afternoon. Just home from abroad—in Paris mourning. Her father and mother both died somewhere in France, in the spring, and she came home with the Mertons."

"Viola," staring at her with eager eyes. "I can't believe it," dropping into a chair. "My poor darling——"

A flash of color shot up into Viola's face. She went and stood by him, with her hand on his shoulder.

"It seems to me, Frank," in her most commonplace, practical voice, "that the little arrangement we entered into ten minutes ago might as well be quietly annulled. Your "poor darling" is at present with the Mertons. Hadn't you better go up there at once, and re-arrange your programme?"

"I don't know. Viola, you will think me a scoundrel, but I believe I love her yet."

"Of course you do. Who doubts it?—There, don't say a woman can't be generous. Think of my agony in releasing you, and go as soon as possible."

"You are generous, dear."

"That depends on our relative estimate of the sacrifice. Good night"

After that nothing could keep her in London, and three days after reaching home, driving her old-fashioned pony-chaise through the green country road, she came upon John Ellsworth, walking, and he accepted her invitation to ride.

"It is so good to be here again. I was thoroughly homesick."

"When are you to be married?"

"Never!" with a burst of vehemence; "unless you—oh, John!" with a hysterical sob.

At home a telegram awaited her. Mrs. Mornington was dead.

Mrs. Mornington died poor. She had spent all her money. So Viola was not an heiress, after all.

And the neighbors said: "After she found she could not get either of those city fellows, and that old lady disappointed her about her money, she came back here and took John Ellsworth.—And he put up with it; but then there's no fool like a man when he's in love with a girl like that."

A Story From Real Life.

From the Hartford Courant.

Some thirty years ago the New York and New Haven Railroad had just began running on a single track. One afternoon a country boy of about fifteen was standing near the track at a cross-road halfway between Stamford and Darien. He heard a train coming from the latter station just as a New York train came in sight from the opposite direction. He ran to the track, and waving his hat, caught the attention of the engineer, and by his earnest manner and his pointing in the opposite direction convinced him that a train was coming round the bend. He instantly applied the brakes and stopped his train just in time to escape a disastrous collision. The railroad company expressed its gratitude at the time by the present of a valuable silver cup and a life pass over the road. A year or two later the boy was taken into the employ of the company and instructed in mechanical engineering, for which he exhibited marked ability. He was an industrious worker, honest, intelligent, and ambitious, and rose to a responsible and lucrative position with the company. He settled in New Haven, where his worth was recognized, and he was chosen to a number of honorable offices, all of which he filled with the same honesty and efficiency. To-day he is a director and general superintendent of a manufacturing establishment, is a director of the Yale National Bank of New Haven, is interested in half a dozen or more profitable manufactories, and is one of the most prominent and respected, as he is one of the best, citizens of the Elm City and of the State. He represents the city at present in the General Assembly, his name being John Harris Leads, and his native modesty will probably cause him to object to this brief sketch, which is written because the lesson it teaches is a valuable one.

T. DeWitt Talmage thinks that the "reason why so many editors are skeptics" is that through every newspaper office come "every wickedness of the world—all the vanities that want to be puffed, the revenges that want to be repaid, the mistakes that want to be corrected, all the dull speakers who want to be thought eloquent, all the meanness that wants to get its wares noticed gratis, all men who want to be set right who never were right, all cracked brain philosophers with stories as long as their hair and as gloomy as their finger-nails, in mourning because bereft of soap; all the bores who come to stay five minutes, but stay five hours."

A wise man will never lift a lid off the stove with his fingers more than once.—*Hanesack Republican.*

Destructive Fire.

A house belonging to F. H. Arnold, on Mill street, this place, was burned to the ground on Saturday afternoon last. The house was occupied by two families, named Kelliher and Grigsby who were thus driven from their home and shelter and compelled to see it consumed by the ruthless element. The fire is supposed to have originated from a barrel of ashes which had been placed in the wood-house in the morning. When the flames were discovered it was deemed useless to try to extinguish them, and an alarm was given. The continued screeching of several steam whistles soon brought a sufficient number of men and nearly everything movable was saved. The fire at the start being entirely in the rear wing, there was a fine chance to remove the goods from other parts of the house.—The doors and windows and even the casings were removed by willing hands. The residence of Mr. Chas. Barrett, the nearest house to the fire, was covered with blankets on the exposed side and by the free application of water was in no great danger. Scarcely any wind was blowing at the time or several surrounding building might easily have been burned.—*Reporter.*

Narrow Escape.

Tuesday evening, about 6 o'clock, Ben Smith was engaged in getting a log, forty feet in length from Cook's mountain, north of the town, when it started down the mountain with "lightning speed," going through a corner of Mr. Hyde's lot, and finally brought up in Mr. Pepper's kitchen. Mr. Pepper was standing at the water tank washing his hands, and his daughter Anna was sitting a short distance from him. The log passed between them—not more than a foot from Mr. Pepper, and so near Anna that the debris knocked the chair and occupant into the middle of the room. The supper table was demolished, and fortunately the kitchen partition stopped the log.

Little more than a year ago a similar mishap occurred to George Pepper—a log going through his house, destroying considerable furniture, and narrowly escaping a cradle in which Mr. Pepper's child was sleeping.

The manner in which the logs are hauled, is gross, if not criminal, carelessness, and measures should be taken at once to put a stop to it.—*Cameron Press.*

Three Card Monte—A Drummer Beaten.

On Friday night a couple of three card monte men on the Philadelphia & Erie railway, began playing their cards just before entering Corry. They spotted a drummer as a "mark" and worked him very quietly so as not to arouse the suspicions of the trainmen. The drummer refused to bet heavily, but finally ventured to make a small risk of a dollar. He pulled out the money and in doing so showed a large roll of bills containing about $150. This roll one of the monte chaps snatched and put in his pocket. They then jumped from the train just as it pulled into the Corry depot, and immediately disappeared. The victim began to make a fuss, when another man, probably an accomplice, told him he had better keep quiet, or he, too, would be arrested for gambling. This frightened the drummer and he did not notify the officers until he reached Meadville. There he informed the police of the robbery, and steps were at once taken to have the gamblers arrested; but up to last night the chaps had not been seen or heard from.—*Derrick.*

INTOXICATION NO DEFENCE IN A CRIMINAL CASE.—On the trial of James Hunt, in Columbia County, last week, Judge Elwell, in his charge to the jury, said:—"It is my duty to tell you that the defendant being intoxicated does not alter the nature of the offence. If a man chooses to get drunk it is his own voluntary act. It is very different from madness or insanity not caused by the act of the person. That voluntary species of madness which it is in a party's power to abstain from he must answer for. However with regard to the intention, drunkenness may perhaps be advertised to according to the nature of the instrument used. If a man uses a stick you would not infer a malicious intent so strong against him if drunk when he made an intemperate use of it, as you would if he had used a different kind of weapon, but when a dangerous instrument is used, which if used must produce grievous bodily harm, drunkenness can have no effect on the consideration of the malicious intent of the party. Here the defendant used a revolver. The question for the jury is did he shoot at Holder with intent to kill him."

IT is gratifying to both our State and party pride to learn from the report of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund that during the last year the debt of our State was reduced just $1,223,696; and that there was remaining in the hands of the Commissioners a balance of $966,630 applicable to the redemption of State bonds. The debt table, as it now stands, shows a debt against the Commonwealth, December 31, 1878, of $31,995,629, against which it is fair to offset the $966,630, in the hands of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, and the $9,000,000 Pennsylvania R. R. first mortgage bonds. Nominally the total State debt is a little over twenty-one millions of dollars, but practically it is a little less than twelve millions.

In regard to the over issue of bonds under the "halcyon rule" of the Democracy in 1852 to 1855, the Commissioners say they instructed the State Treasurer to redeem only the bonds shown by the books to be a legal issue, and which are numbered between 5,000 and 5,426. All other numbers are believed to be fraudulent issues. They think it a misfortune to the Commonwealth that fifty-nine bonds purporting to be of the same issue redeemed by the State Treasurer before their fraudulent character was discovered

THE McKEAN MINER.

M. F. Barbour - - - Editor.

Smethport, Pa., March 13, 1879.

THE COUNTY SEAT QUESTION.

There are more than a dozen counties in Pennsylvania in which the Seat of Justice is considered as not permanently settled. Agitation of the question of the change of location in them has been had periodically for a time so long the memory of the oldest inhabitant runs not to the contrary. The growth of new centres of population and business in McKean county has lately caused an unsettled feeling to strike some of us. This shows that our people are awake, and that even slow McKean moves. It is an encouraging sign of its future. At least four sites, other than the present county seat, are respectively claimed as being the most central and promising, and each entitled to the distinction of being the place where justice should be dispensed.

We think it yet a little early to determine whether the interests of those who have permanent homes in this county will be served by having a change made at all; or, if so, what other particular locality will be considered most central a few years hence, when we have had time to take our reckoning. The great mass of the people of this county manifest very little interest in the question, it being of comparatively small consequence, and we recommend our cotemporaries to keep right on giving their readers news of a practical character, and to leave to time to determine where we shall assemble to do the business of the courts, when future developments shall have definitely marked the favored spot.

We have never in these columns urged the building of a new Court House, as we have considered it would be at least delicate to leave the propriety of this to the people of other parts of the county who would have to share in its cost, and who might not seem to be so directly benefitted by the improvement as we in the immediate neighborhood. Yet it is a fact recognized by every one that the present building and its public offices are insecure, and that it would cost nearly as much to enlarge and repair the old one as to build a new one. Taking the old material to use in a new building, a sum less than $40,000 would be all that would be required to make a commodious and secure structure? The county owns a handsome site donated for the public buildings. It has an abundant supply of pure water from a neighboring spring purchased and brought at a considerable cost. It has a commodious jail that is new and first class in all respects, except needing for additional security some iron plates placed over the corridor, which will cost but a trifling sum. We understand the oil producers who have cast their lot with us, with their accustomed liberality are quite willing to pay their share, and with the increased valuation of property by reason of oil developments, the sum of money named when distributed among all the tax-payers of the county would be slightly felt by any one singly. It would scarcely amount to the individual tax-payer to so much as the building of a new school house in his district. Then if the business and population of the county continue to increase, as now appears probable, and a new site for the public buildings is found desirable, the change can be made with small loss by reason of this expenditure. There is probably not a man in the county who would not be more injured by the loss of the county records (and of which there is now great danger) than many times the cost of building a moderately expensive new Court House would be to him.

The determination of the question is, however, a matter entirely with the people, and we do not wish in any way to take it from them.

THERE is little doubt that if the Greenback party survives till 1880 it will have to "go it alone" in that campaign. The prospect for a Democratic adherence is smaller every day, decreasing in proportion as the Tilden wave gains in volume. A significant indication of this fact is furnished by a recent incident. A West Virginia editor wrote to the editors of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, the ablest and most consistent soft-money journal in the country, asking what course they would follow in case Tilden or Bayard were nominated by the Democrats. The answer was: "We would advocate their election on a hard-money platform, in preference to any other party candidate, because we fight for and in the Democratic party." Talk like this makes a Democratic-Greenback alliance impossible, and it is safe to predict that what little Greenback force there is left by 1880 will be used to draw off strength from the Democratic party. There isn't likely to be enough of it to have much influence in any direction.

DEMOCRATS are becoming alarmed about their ability to control the organization of the lower house of congress. The Greenbackers are marshaling their forces for the fight, and they claim twenty-two that will stand firm and hold the balance of power. The Democrats claim a majority of five over all, but as Acklen is very ill, and should he die, his place could not be filled; that will be a loss of one. Singleton, of Illinois, is too ill to be present. The same is said of Bland and one or two others. This is anything but encouraging, and tends to make the Greenbackers more defiant. If they remain firm the Democrats may fall in their schemes altogether. They have reason to be alarmed.

THE subject of school books pervades the mind of the Pennsylvania Legislature. The Senate proposition is to change books only once in six years, and have them uniform for each county. The discussion elicits that there are evils and blessings attending such a system. But every six years there will come off one of the hottest book fights a State has ever been treated to. In 1881, when the proposed law shall go into force, within the borders of the old Keystone State will be congregated all the book agents of the Union. Then expect worse scenes than the Pittsburg riot.—*Elmira Advertiser.*

A CRUSHING SPEECH.

Senator Chandler on the Perfidy of Jefferson Davis—The Oath that was Taken Twenty Years Ago.

During the acrimonious debate in the senate Sunday night on the amendment of Senator Hoar to exempt Jefferson Davis from receiving a pension as a Mexican veteran, no single event of the night could compare in absorbing interest with the ten-minute speech made by Senator Chandler at a quarter to 3 o'clock. The hour and the events which immediately preceded it—the man and the prominent part he had played in the most stirring episodes in our national history—served to give to the words he uttered a significance out of all comparison with the ordinary course of political debate. He said:

MR. PRESIDENT: Twenty years ago, I, in company with Mr. Jefferson Davis, stood up in this chamber, and, with him, swore by Almighty God that I would support the constitution of the United States. Jefferson Davis came from the cabinet of Franklin Pierce into the senate of the United States and took the oath with me to be faithful to this government. During four years I sat in this body with Jefferson Davis and saw the preparations going on from day to day for the overthrow of this government.—With treason in his heart and perjury upon his lips, he took the oath to sustain the government that he meant to overthrow.

Sir, there was method in this madness. He, in co-operation with other men from his section and in the cabinet of Mr. Buchanan, made careful preparation for the event that was to follow. Your armies were scattered all over this broad land where they could not be used in an emergency. Your fleets were scattered wherever the winds blew and water was found to float them, where they could not be used to put down a rebellion. Your treasury was depleted until your bonds bearing 6 per cent. interest, payable in coin, were sold for 88 cents on the dollar for current expenses, and no buyers were found. Preparations were carefully made. Your arms were sold under an apparently innocent clause in the army bill providing that the Secretary of War might, in his discretion, sell such arms as he deemed fit for the government to sell.

Sir, eighteen years ago last month I sat in this hall and listened to Jefferson Davis delivering his farewell address, informing us what our constitutional duties to this government were, and then he left and entered into a gigantic rebellion to overthrow the government that he had sworn to serve.

I remained here, sir, during the whole of that terrible rebellion. I saw our brave soldiers by thousands—I might almost say by millions—as they passed on to the theatre of the war. I saw their shattered ranks returning. I saw steamboat after steamboat and train after train bringing back the wounded. I was with my friend (pointing to General Burnside) when he commanded the army of the Potomac, and saw piles of legs and arms that would make humanity shudder. I saw the widows and orphans made by this war.

Mr. President, I little thought at that time that I should live to hear in the senate of the United States eulogies upon Jefferson Davis living—a living rebel—on the floor of the senate of the United States. Sir, I am amazed to hear it, and I can tell the gentlemen on the other side that they know little the spirit of the north when they come here at this day with bravado on their lips, uttering eulogies upon him whom every man, woman and child in the north believes to have been a double-dyed traitor.

No man ventured to interrupt; none felt insulted. It was simply crushing.

THE Elmira *Free Press* assumes to believe that Mr. Sam. Tilden is not the Democratic party. For the sake of the party we should hope that Purdy was correct. But, unfortunately there are a large number of Democrats who think otherwise, and who propose to follow the shattered and decrepid uncle of his nephew to defeat once more. Let the play go on.

The Salary Bill.

An act fixing the salaries of the several State officers of the Commonwealth has passed third reading in the House. The bill makes a reduction in the salaries of State officials of about twenty-five per cent., and about ten per cent. in the number of clerks and employes. The salaries to be paid are as follows: Governor $7,500; Lieut. Governor, $1,500; Attorney General, $8,000; Deputy Attorney General, $1,500; Secretary of the Commonwealth, $3,000; Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, $1,800; Auditor General, $3,000; Secretary of Internal Affairs, $2,500; Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs $2,000; Adjutant General, $2,000; State Treasurer, $4,000; Superintendent of public instruction, $2,000; State Librarian, $1,500; assistant State Librarian, $1,000; Superintendent Public printing, $1,200. The resident clerk shall perform the duties of superintendent of public grounds, for which service he shall receive $300 per annum in addition to his pay as clerk. The salaries of clerks and employes are reduced in like proportion, as are also the amounts for incidental expenses of the various departments.

As the President has issued a proclamation calling an extra session of the XLVIth Congress on the 18th of March, those members who have been re-elected will scarcely have time to recover from the fatigue incident to the labors of the XLVth Congress, which closed at noon on the 4th inst. For a week or two past it was evident that the Democrats had conspired to force an extra session, by refusing to allow several of the appropriation bills to become laws. They have succeeded, and to the surprise of everybody the President calls the new Congress together early. As the control of both houses will pass into the hands of the Democrats there will be a great rush of office seekers to Washington at once, and the scramble that will ensue will be frightful to behold. This extra session will probably last for a month or two, and cost the Treasury an enormous sum of money, besides keeping up a disturbance and derangement of business that will inure to the disadvantage of every business man. For this state of affairs the people will hold the Democratic party to a strict accountability.

Somebody's Child.

Somebody's child is dying—dying with the flush of hope on his young face and an indescribable yearning to live and take an honored place in the world beside the companions of his youth. And somebody's mother is thinking of the time when that dear face will be hidden where no ray of hope can brighten it—when her heart and home will be left desolate—because there was no cure for consumption. Reader, if the child be your neighbor's, take this comforting word to the mothers heart *before it is too late.* Tell her that consumption is curable, that men are living to-day, aged, robust men, whom the physicians pronounced incurable at the age of twenty-five, because *one lung had almost been destroyed by the disease.* Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a most efficient alterative for separating the scrofulous matter from the blood and lungs, and imparting strength to the system. It has cured hundreds of consumptives.

THE Altoona *Sun* gives the following in reference to the cost of building a railroad: "A mile of railroad laid with steel rails, such as are being placed upon the Erie and Pittsburgh Railroad, costs about as follows: One hundred tons of steel rails, $4,850; 3,000 ties, $1,500; 6,000 pounds of spikes, $1,400; 252 splice bars, $1,446.80; labor, $750.50; total, $9,446.80. The cost of laying a mile of the common iron rail is about 20 per cent. less."

Tremendous Sale of damaged Goods from the Great Fire in Worth Street, N. Y

Unparalleled Bargains for Consumers!

Thousands of yards of Table Linens, Towelings, bleached Cottons and Shirtings. Hundreds of dozens of Towels, Napkins and Toilet Quilts, slightly damaged by Water and Smoke only, to be

SOLD AT HALF VALUE!

Also small lots of Black Silks, slightly wet in the fold, not injured a particle in reality, to be closed at $1.50 and $2.00 per yard; worth $3.00 to $4.00

Citizens of Northwestern Pennsylvania:

Soon as the news reached me of the great fire which occurred on January 17th, in the heart of the dry goods section of New York, I wrote my New York buyer that if any goods were saved in a comparatively uninjured condition to make purchases upon my account. If they could be secured cheap. He accordingly was on the lookout, and succeeded in securing many cases and bales of desirable fabrics, at prices which enable me to offer to-day the greatest bargains ever before quoted in Northwestern Pennsylvania, or perhaps in the world. Goods are now cheaper than ever before, and when such prices are cut in two of course it must create an excitement. Therefore, those who desire to make purchases should not delay, but come at once, for the entire lot will go with a "WHEW AND A BANG."

People's Store,

DE FOREST WELD. DE SILVER WELD, MANAGER.

24 Main Street, City of Bradford, Pa.

De FOREST WELD,

De Silver Weld, - - Manager,

IS NOW OFFERING THE FOLLOWING ROYAL BARGAINS, to-wit

One lot Black Gros Grain Silk at 65c. worth $1.00.
" " " at 75c, worth $1.25.
" " " at $1, worth $1.35.
" " " at $1.15, worth $1.50.
" " " at $1.50 per yard, worth $3.
" " " at $2 per yard, worth $4.

These silks are slightly damaged by water, and for durability and appearance are not injured in the least; and presents to consumers one of the few chances that occur in a life time, to get a good, reliable make of Black silk at Half Price:

TREMENDOUS BARGAINS

In Goods Slightly Damaged by Water at the Great Fire in Worth Street, New York, where Three Million Dollars worth of Dry Goods and Carpets were in the Flames on the night of Jan. 17. Many of these goods were absolutely not damaged a particle except in appearance. They were nevertheless bought at less than half

Value and will be closed out at prices that will cause the hearts of consumers to rejoice.

The Assortment Consists of Great Lines of Bleached and Brown Cottons, Calicos, Ginghams, Sheetings, Pillow Case Cottons, Table Linens, Towels, Toweling, Embroideries, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Gloves, Dress Goods, Black and Colored Silks, Linen Sheetings, Etc., Etc. Don't fail to Examine these Goods.

The great majority of these goods were packed in cases and bales at the time of the conflagration and are consequently so slightly damaged that they could be sold as perfect, but preferring a "Nimble Sixpence to a Slow Shilling," I propose to give the people

A Royal Benefit!

Which all will remember for years to come. Those desiring to secure any of bargains mentioned must not delay, but come at once, for the goods will be sold so cheap that they will go with a rush. As samples of the bargains that may be expected the reader is referred to

THE FOLLOWING PRICE LIST IS NOW OFFERING AT THE

PEOPLE'S STORE,

20,000 Yds Standard American Prints at 3 cents.
20,000 Yds Good American Prints at 2 cts. Worth 5 to 6 cts.
20,000 Yds Splendid Heavy Brown Cottons, full yard wide, at 3, 4 and 5 cts.
10,000 Yds Fine Bleached Cotton, yard wide, at 3, 4 and 5 cts.
10,000 Yds Extra Fine, Soft-finished, Bleached Muslin, full yard wide, at 5½ cts.
5,000 Yds Pillow Case Cotton, 42 inches wide, at 10 cts. Worth 15 cts.
Full Double-width Bleached Sheetings at 15 cts. Worth 30 cts.
15,000 Yds Twilled Toweling at 4 cts. Worth 10 cts.
4,000 Yds Russia Crash at 6¼ to 9 cts. Worth 12½ to 18 cts.
One special lot Toilet Quilts at 35 cts each. Worth $1 00.
One special lot Toilet Quilts at 55 cts each. Worth $1 25.
One special lot Toilet Quilts at 75 cts each. Worth $1 50.
One special lot Toilet Quilts at 90 cts each. Worth $1 75.
One special lot Toilet Quilts at $1 00 each. Worth $2 00.
One special lot Toilet Quilts in New and Elegant designs at $1 25. A great Bargain at $2 50.
One special lot Toilet Quilts, extra large and heavy, at $2 00. Worth $4 50.
All Linen Sheetings, full width, at 55, 65 and 75 cts. Worth from $1 00 to $2 00.
Great lines of Table Linens from 12½ cts per yard upward.
Special attention is directed to the following lots of Bleached Table Linens, as being the Greatest Bargains ever offered in the world, to wit:
One lot Bleached Table Linen, Elegant, Double Satin Damask, at $1 00 per yard. Cost $2 50 to import.
Special attention is called to a magnificent assortment of

SPECIAL ATTENTION IS CALLED TO A MAGNIFCENT ASSORTMENT OF

Very Fine Table Linens, Also Table Cloths & Napkins En Suite,

Manufactured expressly for the Paris Exhibition, and sent to this country to be sold. These goods are in perfect condition, but were purchased with other Linens at one uniform discount, and will therefore be sold at less than half of the original cost.

In the assortment of Fine Linens there are great lines of elegant Napkins worth from $5 00 to $13 00 per dozen, which will be sold from $2 50 to $7 50.

Those who desire to purchase fine Table Linens, Napkins and Towels will find that this will present the greatest opportunity to secure bargains ever presented, and should be speedily improved.

Among these Linens are several sets of Table Cloths and Napkins valued from $50 to $300 per set, which will be sold from $25 to $100.

2,000 dozen all Linen Napkins at 50, 65, 75 cts and $1 00 per dozen. Worth $1, $1 25, $1 50 and $2.

2,000 all Linen Huckaback Towels at 50, 65, 75, $1, $1 25, $1 50 and $2 per doz. Worth from $1 to $4 50.

Great lot Ladies 2 Buttoned Kid Gloves at 40 cts per pair. Worth 75 cts.

Great lot Ladies Hose at 4, 6, 8 and 10 cts per pair and upwards. Worth from 10 to 25 cts.

25,000 yds Dress Goods from 5 cts per yard and upwards, including big lots of Alpacas, Black French Cashmeres, etc., at half the cost of importation.

A splendid assortment of very superior Black Silks from 60 cts to $2 per yard. Worth from $1 to $4 50. Together with great

BANKRUPT STOCK OF LADIES' CLOAKS,

Purchased last week in New York at prices which enables me to make the following startling quotations, to wit:

Ladies' Cloaks at $2. Worth $5. Ladies' Cloaks at $3. Worth $7 50.
Ladies' Cloaks at 4. Worth 10. Ladies' Cloaks at 5. Worth 12 00
Ladies' Cloaks at $7.50. Worth $20.

And other qualities proportionately cheap.

100 pairs White Wool Blankets at $1 65. Worth $3 00.

3,000 Silk Handkerchiefs at 10, 25, 40 and 50 cts. Cost double these prices to import.

3,500 yds Dress Silks at 40 and 50 cts. Worth $1 and 1 25.

2,500 pieces All Silk Gros Grain Ribbons, beautiful assortment of colors at less than half cost.

90,000 yds Hamburg Edgings and Insertings, all new and choice styles just imported at 2 cts per yard and upwards. Half cost of manufacture.

Consumers of Dry Goods everywhere, you cannot afford to miss this great opportunity for supplying yourselves with good desirable goods at such unheard of low prices, and you should not let this great sale pass without partaking largely of its benefits.

Those Residing at a Distnce

Of one hundred miles away could well afford to pay the expenses of their trip to attend this great sale.

IT IS A WELL KNOWN FACT

That I never advertise bargains unless I have them to offer, and I can truthfully say that the bargains mentioned in this advertisement exceed any to which I have ever called attention heretofore.

Come One, Come All, and Secure the Greatest Bargains Ever Offered.

De FOREST WELD,

De Silver Weld, - - Manager,

Carpets! Carpets! Carpets!

CHEAPER THAN EVER.

GREAT BARGAINS IN

POINT DUCHES & REAL THREAD LACES

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Is now Offering the following

GREAT BARGAINS!

IN HIS GENERAL STOCK, to-wit:

Colored Gros Faille Silks at 75c per yard, sold elsewhere and considered cheap at 90c. Colored Gross Grain Silks at $1.25 per yard, a superior quality, and would be cheap at $1.50.

SPECIAL!

20,000 yard of Hamburgh Embroideries from 1c per yard and upwards to 75c. Regular prices 5c to $1. All new and handsome patterns and at lower prices than ever before known.

BLACK FRENCH CASHMERES.

40 inch Black French Cashmere at 40c per yard, worth 60.
" " " at 50c per yard, worth 65c.
" " " at 75c per yard, worth 85c.
" " " at $1 per yard, worth $1.25.
40 inch EXTRA FINE Black French Cashmere at $1 15 per yard, cheap at $1.50.
48 inch Black French Cashmere at $1 per yard, low value $2.25.
" " " at $1.25 per yard, regular price the country over $1.65.

These Cashmeres are from the looms of the best French Manufacturers, and for weight, finish and durability of color cannot be excelled.

BLACK ALPACAS & MOHAIRS.

Black Alpacas as low as 12½ and 10c per yard.
" at 20c per yard, never before sold at less than 25c.
" at 30c per yard, regular price 40c.
Black Mohairs at 40c per yard that would be cheap at 50c.
" at 50c per yard, a bargain at 75c.
" at 65c per yard that cannot be bought elsewhere for less than $1.

SEEING IS BELIEVING. CALL FOR THEM.

DRESS GOODS AT RUINOUS PRICES TO CLOSE.

Novelty Dress Goods at 5c per yard. The best we have yet offered at the price.
Dress Goods at 8c per yard that will astonish and please the buyer.
Dress Goods at 10c per yard that cannot be matched in this country at 15c.
An assorted lot of Alpacas and Cashmeres at 12 and 15c per yard, that would convince the most skeptical that we are selling these goods cheap.
Silk Mixed, 27 inch Dress Goods at 25c per yard, that have been selling all the season at 40c, a most beautiful fabric, and just the thing for early spring wear.
At 50c per yard we shall offer an elegant assortment of all wool materials, that are worth a great deal more money.
At 60c per yard we shall close out our line of Colored French Cashmeres, that have been selling at 75c.
Look for bargains in our Cloak and Shawl departments. We have made such low prices that purchasers for bargains cannot fail to find them.
Canton Flannels at 6¼, 8 1-3 and 10c per yard, that are better value than ever before offered.
At 12½c per yard we are now offering an extra wide, extra heavy double napped Canton Flannel, that cannot be found elsewhere under 20c.,
Big line of domestic Ginghams at 6¼c per yard.
Yard wide Chintz in Shirting and Dress Styles at 8 1-3c per yard, regular price 12½c.
10,000 yards handsome American Prints, Chintz style, slightly damaged by water at 4c per yard.

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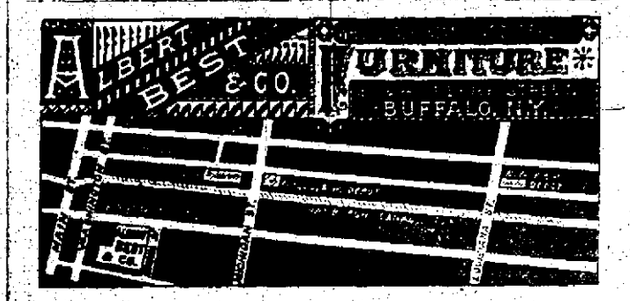

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Smethport, Pa., March 13, 1879.

Lodge Directory.

A. Y. M.

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Churches.

METHODIST.—W. B. WAGONER, pastor. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9 a. m., and Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. Class Meeting directly after morning services. Prayer Meetings on Thursday evenings at 7 p. m.

BAPTIST.—W. C. Wilbur, pastor. Preaching at half-past 10 a. m. and half-past 8 p. m. Sabbath school directly after morning services. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7 p. m.

EPISCOPAL.—H. Q. MILLER, Rector. Services on the 2d and 4th Sunday of each month at 10½ a. m. and 7½ p. m. Sabbath school at 9 a. m.

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Official Directory.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY.

President Judge.—H. W. Williams, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.

Additional Judge.—S. P. Wilson, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.

Associate Judges.—W. S. Brownell, Smethport; F. N. Burnham, Eldred.

District Attorney.—S. W. Smith, Fort Allegany.

Sheriff.—Roswell Bartwell, Smethport.

Prothonotary.—John R. Fowler, Bradford.

County Treasurer.—W. D. Gallup, Smethport.

Commissioners.—W. J. Colegrove, N. W. Abbey, John G. Boyer.

County Clerk.—H. F. Barbour, Smethport.

Jury Commissioners.—J. A. Anderson, J. E. H. White.

Auditors.—O. D. Vosburgh, J. J. Roberts, C. L. Hellows.

County Surveyor.—G. H. Lyon, Bradford, Pa.

Regular Terms of Court.—Fourth Monday in February and September, and Third Monday in June and December.

Borough Officers.

Burgess.—S. J. Gifford.

Asst Burgess.—H. S. Bartwell.

Council.—I. A. Gleason, S. Gorton, A. R. Armstrong, Chas. Sackett, L. Ramer, W. D. Gallup.

Constable.—H. L. Burlingame.

School Directors.—D. L. Forsyth, David Sterrett, B. D. Hamlin, R. L. Knapp, E. G. Brown, H. L. Burlingame.

Justices.—D. M. Smith, P. Ford

Auditors.—W. Gifford, C. S. Bartwell, A. R. Armstrong.

Poormasters.—R. L. Knapp, J. C. Hamlin.

Judges of Election.—S. Pattison.

Inspectors.—Robert Wolters, George Brownell.

Assessor.—H. M. Smith.

Assistant Assessors.—A. R. Armstrong, William Ramer.

Regular Meetings of Co. Commissioners.

The County Commissioners will hold regular sessions at the Commissioners Office on the first Monday of each month for the transaction of any business that may be brought before them. A special meeting will be held on the first Tuesday after each court week for the settlement of county costs in Commonwealth cases.

H. F. BARBOUR, Clerk.

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—The test well near Wilcox is down about 600 feet.

—The oil smellers are looking in the direction of the Fletcher well, on Marvin creek.

—The present term of the Smethport borough school will close about the first of April.

A new Court House will be built in Ridgway the coming summer, says the *Advocate*.

—Hon. Marshall B. Champlain, of Cuba, N. Y., died last Friday, of typhoid-pneumonia: aged 59 years.

—Miss Mettie Lyman, of Sawyer City, has been dangerously ill with congestion of the brain. She is now reported out of danger.

—J. K. Graham, the versatile correspondent, and publisher of the "Court Record" was in town yesterday, and made the MINER a pleasant call.

—An exchange declares that a man who will read a newspaper three or four years without paying for it, will pasture a goat on the grave of his grandfather.

—Tuesday was a fair day for business in the Commissioners' office. The Commissioners on that day sold, signed, sealed and delivered over $13,000 of county bonds.

—Persons having teaching ability should improve it by study at the Normal School. The State aids teachers. The best appliances and instruction at very low rates. For information address J. A. COOPER, Edinboro, Erie Co., Pa.

—More trouble on the B. N. Y. & P. road. It isn't a snow blockade this time, however. The high water scooped out a bridge over the Buffalo Creek, and delayed trains only two or three days.

—The disappearance of the snow reveals the fact that like the mantle of charity it has been covering a multitude of sins in the form of unsightly ash and refuse heaps in our streets. They should be abated.

—Judge Wilson made short work with the Potter County Court last week. He adjourned the court on Tuesday, saying, as is reported, that if they wanted to have courts in that county they must either grant licenses or strike oil!

—The new council will soon have business in the way of coaxing slow-going property owners to repair their sidewalks. We hope the new council will be a little more prompt and active in this and other matters than their predecessors.

—Olean lawyers are evidently decidedly well posted on Pennsylvania law. Acting on the advice of two of the legal heavy weights of that village Mart. Moore came very near betting $500 that Judge Williams would have to appoint the day for hanging Tracy. Mart. would have lost his money. The Judge delivers the sentence, but the Governor issues the warrant and appoints the day.

—The attention of the ladies is invited to the card of Mrs. Jane Lucas in another column.

—Judge Barrett, of New York, has decided that elevated railroads can be taxed as real estate.

—The boiler of the engine of a freight train on the B. N. Y. & P road exploded near Ebenezer last Saturday. One man was badly scalded.

—The new issue of county bonds are printed ready for delivery. They were printed at the MINER Job Rooms; and we think the bonds are as well and neatly printed as if the job had been sent to Buffalo or Harrisburg.

—Hon. Jno. Brooks, member from Cameron, delivered a lecture in the House at Harrisburg, a few evenings since, entitled "That Boy's Mother." The subject was ably handled and the speaker was frequently applauded by the large audience.

—It is stated that O. J. Ross recently received a mortgage for recording, covering the entire property of the B. N. Y. & P. R. R., for $1,000,000, money borrowed by the railroad, to refund, we understand, a mortgage bearing a higher rate of interest.—*Potter Enterprise.*

—We are indebted to Supt. W. H. Curtis for a copy of the Pennsylvania School Report for 1878. The report for McKean county is a concise and interesting article, and we regret that we have not room for its insertion this week. We will try and publish it next week.

—It is now announced that the emancipated, reorganized, consolidated (and some say stolen) Bradford *Era* will shortly erect a building in the rear of its present location seventy feet long and two stories high. Whew! what a mint of money those Standard fellows must have!

—Arch. F. Jones, of Coudersport, by reason of whose sickness Hon. A. G. Olmsted was called away from the last term of Court, died last Saturday. Mr. Jones was one of the most highly respected citizens of Coudersport, and his loss is to that community a public calamity.

—To our numerous freinds who have solicited copies of the MINER containing the report of the trial of Andrew Tracy, we regret to state that although we printed an unusually large edition, it was entirely exhausted in a very few days after the paper was issued, and we are unable to supply any calls.

—Mr. Grumbine, the jeweler, has nearly completed negotiations for the purchase of the old residence of William Specht, with a portion of the lot. He will take up his quarters in his new abode very soon. We are glad to see this indication that he is to become a permanent resident.

—This borough has a regularly appointed pound-master and a well located pound, yet some of our citizens are allowed to let their cattle run in the streets to the detriment and disgust of all their neighbors, and in open violation of the law. The payment of a few dollars poundage would be a salutary lesson.

—We regret to learn that A. J. Wheeler, of Deposit, N. Y., had the misfortune a few weeks ago to fracture two or three ribs by a fall. It is however fortunate that it was no worse a mishap, and we expect to see or hear of him stubbing around the headwaters of Cole creek again before many weeks.

—Col. M. N. Allen informs us that, owing to their inability to set aside the sale, the Peg Leg road will again be open to the public soon, under his management, probably. The public will doubtless be pleased to learn of this, as besides being one of the curiosities of this strange land of oildom, it is a convenience they do not like to dispense with.—*Era.*

—The proprietor of the Bennett House has just put in a new hotel register. In addition to the register it furnishes a handy directory of the reliable business houses of Smethport on a blotter sheet inserted between each two leaves. The book was issued from the MINER Job Rooms, and as a sample of clean, elegant printing it cannot be excelled in any city job office. Guests of the Bennett House are invited to inspect the book.

—H. A. Scoville, who has been reading the last two years with Messrs. Benson and Peck, of this place, was admitted to the Bar to-day. Mr. Scoville has been a diligent student, and we are informed passed a very creditable examination. We understand he intends locating at Eldred, M'Kean county. Success, and an office full of clients to you, Harry.—*Potter Enterprise.*

—Titusville is determined to have an artillery company, as about 130 men have signed. The aid received from the State comprises a $1,000 bonus, $100 a year for armory rent, and a full set of of horse-equipments, sabres and revolvers for each member of the battery. The State also guarantees to pay each member $1.50 a day when ordered out for duty or inspection.

—The Wellsboro *Gazette*, the democratic organ of Tioga county, comes to our table this week with an entire new dress and enlarged to eight columns to the page—the same size of the MINER. The *Gazette* is one of the ablest and best democratic papers on our exchange list, and the fact of its continued prosperity in the republican stronghold of Tioga county is good evidence that its merits are appreciated.

—The people of St. Mary's, Elk County, mean to test their territory for oil. They have formed a stock company with W. W. Ames as President and G. C. Brandon, Secretary. A committee was appointed to secure the funds to put down one or two experimental wells. They have already raised $4,500, as we learn from the *Gazette*, and mean to get enough to sink two wells 2,000 feet if necessary. We trust they may be as rich in oil as they are in coal.

—All oildom outside of this district is coming or preparing to come to Bradford this spring. The rush is already beginning and is likely to continue in ever-increasing volume, as the season advances. A letter from Parker to the *Derrick* says: "The amount of stuff that is pulled up in this lower country and shipped north is almost beyond belief. Every train from the front brings two and three rigs whose oleaginous mission in Butler county seems to be at an end. The bills of lading in all cases indicate the same general destination. Last Friday twenty-five car loads of rig stuff was shipped to points in the upper country.—*Warren Mail.*

—Michael O'Herin, says the St. Mary's *Gazette*, the man whom we spoke of last week as throwing a lighted lamp at his wife, exploding it and thereby severely burning her and causing the death of their infant child, was arrested on Saturday last and had a hearing before Esq. Weis, who committed him to jail in default of $1000 to answer the charges preferred against him. His wife is still lying in a critical condition, and is literally dying by inches from the burns received at the hands of her husband. We are told that the flesh is falling from her bones, and the poor woman suffers untold agonies. All hope of her recovery is given up. She remains in an unconscious state most of the time. There is certainly no punishment too severe for such hellish work.

—A few years ago the county Commissioners issued some county jail bonds. There were then but two newspaper offices in the county, the *Reporter* and the MINER. Both did job printing, and either would have been glad to have undertaken the job. But neither was asked. Whether the Commissioners were made to believe that the work could not be done at home or whether it was because some one wanted to take a trip to Buffalo, at all events two of our leading citizens and that time boon companions took a trip to Buffalo to get those bonds printed. It took them about two days to satisfactorily contract for the printing, but they had a glorious good time meanwhile, and the result was the county paid about 25 per cent. more for the bonds than either home office would have charged for equally good work.

—Stealing is now called a "disease," *kleptomania is its name*; and drunkenness is now called a disease, "dypsomania" is its name; and at times against the person may be committed under the influence of dypsomania, and crimes against property may come under the head of kleptomania, it is plain that rascals are hereafter to be called invalids. It is a much milder name. A man gets tipsy and kills his neighbor, he is an invalid, a dypsomaniac. A man wants money and robs his neighbor; he is an invalid, a kleptomaniac. Alas, crime is no more, it is all disease.—*Ex.*

FRESH OYSTERS.—At Pierce's restaurant may be found *fresh oysters* in abundance, either meats or counts. Call upon him and ascertain prices and quality. His rooms are now in full running order and people will find them a neat and comfortable place at which to procure a palatable lunch.

SELECT SCHOOL.—Prof. Bartholomew informs us that it is his intention to conduct a select school in the Academy during the coming summer recess of the public school. In connection he will organize a Normal School for the benefit of those ladies and gentlemen who may wish to prepare themselves as teachers. The long summer vacation is a season of enforced idleness to many ambitious students and this project will furnish an excellent opportunity for all such to continue their studies.

Gillmor City in Ashes.

The following special dispatch to the Buffalo *Express* gives all the particulars of the disastrous fire which occurred in Gillmor City on Tuesday evening that we have been able at this writing to obtain, owing to the stoppage of trains by high water:

BRADFORD, Pa., March 11.—At seven o'clock this evening the Delmonico Hotel at Gillmor, five miles from this city, was discovered to be in flames. The fire spread rapidly, and has burned two drug-stores, three meat markets, two dry-goods stores, the St. James Hotel, the March House, the Knights of Honor Hall and four dwellings. J. Lafferty perished in the flames. The cause of the fire is unknown.

A Good Business.

About two years ago George W. King conceived and put into practice the idea of running a milk wagon for the convenience of the people of Smethport and what profit could be accrued. Many supposed the project would prove a failure, and it looked to all like an experiment. But he went into it with a determination to make the business a success if possible, and has succeeded beyond his expectations. By promptness in delivery, and selling a pure article at a reasonable price he has built up a flattering and profitable trade. We have yet to hear of any well founded complaints from patrons, and many housewives wonder how they ever got along without this great convenience.

Important to Township Auditors.

Township Auditors too often neglect the publication of the township accounts. This is required by law, and penalties are affixed for neglect. Cases have come before the courts in several counties of the State, and the auditors have been fined for neglect. The substance of several laws on the subject is as follows:

First—The auditors are required in each borough and township to settle the accounts thereof and to publish the same not only in newspapers, but also by written or printed statements put up in the most public places in the borough and township, as soon as the fiscal year, which is on the first Monday in April, as possible.

Second—If the borough or township is in debt, has a funded or floating debt, it must be included in the statement, together with the valuation of property, etc., and in at least two newspapers, and embraced in the written or printed statements also.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Mrs. Barber, of State Line, Loses Her Life by Fire.

A shocking accident occurred near State Line, on Sunday, resulting in the death of Mrs. Sarah Barber, wife of Jefferson Barber. It seems that she has been troubled with fits and is supposed to have fallen on the stove during one of them, which set fire to her dress. She then threw herself on the bed, where she was found by her husband. The bedding had taken fire from her dress. Mr. Barber succeeded, as he supposed, in extinguishing the flames and then ran to a neighbors to procure assistance. When he returned his wife had revived sufficiently to be able to get a dipper of water and was endeavoring to subdue the fire, which had not been extinguished by her husband. She had become very weak, and lingered until 9 o'clock Monday morning, at which time she died.

Her clothing was burned from her person and her body terribly scorched.

Mrs. Barber was about 65 years old.—Her funeral took place Tuesday, from the Baptist Church, Rev. S. D. Morris preaching the sermon.—*Eldred Eagle.*

THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

Its Contract with the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The important features of Saturday's hearing in the oil discrimination cases, were the presentation in evidence of a letter from vice-president Rockafeller, of the Standard Oil Company, to Colonel Thomas A. Scott, of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the latter's reply. These letters are dated October 17, 1877. The Standard letter opens with: "In consideration of the covenants of your company to be performed, we will agree as follows." Then follows stipulations as to the amount of oil to be shipped by the trunk lines, giving a percentage to each, the Standard Oil Company agreeing to ship over the Pennsylvania Railroad not less than 2,000,000 barrels a year, based upon an average production of not less than 30,000 barrels per day. In the event of a failure to give the traffic named, the company has to pay a sum equal to the profits which the railroad company would have realized upon the quantity in deficit. In consideration of this, the Standard was to pay such rates as might be fixed from time to time by the four trunk lines, and so fixed as to place the company on a parity as to cost of transportation, with shippers over competing lines. The letter continues: "You shall allow to and pay us weekly, such commission on our own shipments and the shipments which we may control, as may be agreed to by your company and the other trunk lines from time to time. This commission, it is understood, has for the present been fixed at 10 per cent. upon the rates, and shall not be fixed at a less percentage, except by mutual agreement of your company and ours, provided that no other shipper of oil by your line shall pay less than the rate fixed for us before such commission is deducted, and no commission shall be allowed any other shipper until he shall guarantee and furnish you such quantity of oil for shipment as will, after deduction of commission allowed him, realize to you the same amount of profit you realize from other trade; that is, you will not allow any other shipper of oil any part of such commission, unless after such allowance you realize from the total of his business the same total amount of profits you realize from the total of our business, except so far as your company may be compelled to fill certain contracts for transportation made by the Empire Line with refiners and producers, which contracts terminate on or before May 1, 1878." The stipulations named in the letter were to be continued for a term of five years. Colonel Scott's letter is in a few words, saying that the arrangement is satisfactory.

The Question Settled.

SMETHPORT, Pa., March 11, 1879.

To the Editor of the Miner:

It is with great reluctance that I am compelled to bring this sad affair again before the public. But a rumor is current that a dispensation was granted by the Bishop of Erie permitting the marriage of my daughter with Andrew Tracy. For what purpose such report was circulated I do no know. Being confident that it was false and unfounded, and believing it due to the memory of my daughter, I wrote to the Bishop of Erie, whose reply I request you to publish. Hoping this will be the last time that it shall become my painful duty to bring this affair before the public, I remain

Respectfully,

A. REILLY.

LETTER OF BISHOP MULLEN.

CATHEDRAL, ERIE, Pa. March 5, 1879.

MR. ANDREW REILLY—DEAR SIR: In your letter of March 3d you inform me that it is rumored in your neighborhood that I "granted a dispensation allowing the marriage of your poor daughter to her first cousin, Andy Tracy," and feeling assured that the rumor is false you desire me to contradict it.

I beg to say in reply that the subject was never intimated to me, and that no such dispensation was ever asked by either of the parties supposed to be most interested in the matter; nor by any one for them. Indeed had any application of the kind been made, it would not have been entertained. And I believe your lamented daughter understood her religion too well and respected its laws too much to have ever seriously contemplated such a step.

Her sorrowing relatives have my sincerest sympathy, and I deeply deplore the terrible tragedy that has involved two respected families in unutterable affliction. Let us hope that Catholics generally will recognize in that tragedy the necessity that all are under of respecting the ecclesiastical laws in force with regard to marriage between kindred, and also learn from it the risk to which all expose themselves in contracting or even contemplating alliances which the church ordinarily refuses to sanction or tolerate.

Respectfully yours,

T. MULLEN,
Bishop of Erie.

Monthly Report of Smethport High School.

The following is the average percentage in recitation of each student for the month ending March 7, 1879:

Millie Patterson, 96 (24); Mollie King, 76 (15); Rowena King, 79 (28); Mary Sartwell, 85 (30); Rose McIntosh, 79 (26); Lillian Bush, 83 (48); T. F. Richmond, 98 (7); Mary Hamlin, 96 (4); Evaline Forsyth, Lelia Knapp, 87 (10); Ervin Kerns, 77 (9); Andrew Daly, 96 (8); Maggie Smith, 70 (30); Charles Freeman, 78 (5); Clarence Moses 70 (28); Nellie Waller 69; F. S. Backus, 66 (40); Byron Ostrander 70 (8); Libbie Freeman, 77; Ada Brownell, 91 (5); Minnie Callar, 89 (2); Frank Daly 89 (20); Harrie Knapp, 80 (15); Mary Richards, 92 (30); Ethel Armstrong, 88 (5); Hattie Tubbs, 84 (7); Mary Waller, 89; Eva Callar, 95 (2); Willie Mullin, 65 (29); G. B. Brownell, 96 (25); Chas. Provin, 70 (28); Agnes Rose, 88 (4); Aline Hamlin, 100 (16); B. F. Sartwell, 79 (40); Harrie Richmond, 97 (8); Samuel Ramer, 69 (8).

One hundred per cent. shows perfect recitations during the entire month.

Less than 50 per cent. is unsustained.

The numbers in parenthesis show the number of times absent from recitations.

H. H. BARTHOLOMEW, Principal.

INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT.

Ida King 70 (49); Sarah McNulty 94 (26); Mary Mullin 98 (12); Lalla King 60 (30); Lida Wagoner 89 (43); Ella Wright 65 (4); Minnie Tubbs 80 (4); Pearl Tomlin 98 (20); Rena Richmond 95 (3); Alaine McCarty 70 (60); May Moses 94 (3); Anna McNulty 60 (30); Jessie Hamlin 85 (6); Jennie Haskill 85 (5); Lulu Goodrich 85 (10); Ella Freeman 95 ( ); Jennie Forsyth 90 (6); Neva Tabor 80 (35); Ella Carlin 60 ( ); Ina Bush 95 (7); Flora Burlingame 85 (40); Mary Wind 90; Lilly Kraboot 81 (4); Minnie Turrel 85 (35); Arthur Lyman 84 (40); Charles Goodrich 80 (30); Charles Schimmelfing 90 (25); Peter Bush 79 (30); John Mullin 85 (25); Joseph McCarty 80 (40); Seneca Tubbs 95; Wilber Burlingame 87 (45); Frank White 86; Harry Wagoner 95 (15); Levi Tubbs 97 (7); Carlton Sprague 80 (3); Wesley Shepard 95 (40); Eben Pattison 95 (15); Rust Lyman 87 (35); Ned Keef 95 (15); Alfred Kidder 97 (40); Willie Degarmo 89 (15); Dora Chadwick 90 (30); George Backus 80 (25); Webbie Burdick 98 (12); Clifford Burlingame 83 (26); L. Bush 79 (70); Clayton Backus 90 (30).

The figures inclosed in parenthesis and brackets denote absence from recitations.

100 per cent. shows perfect recitations.

EMMA L. BACKUS, Teacher.

Donation.

Written for the MINER.

Pursuant to announcement, the good people of Smethport and vicinity convened on Wednesday evening, of last week not to offer "tribute to Cæsar," but rather, to give of their spare means to the Rev. Wagoner and lady, in the form of a donation, as a token of their appreciation of his labors among them. In the early part of the evening, they gathered from all quarters—the ladies with their baskets filled with provisions and the gentlemen with their pockets filled with "trash" or loose change, all evidently bent upon having a good time, and we are happy to say, were gratified to this end. A little before nine o'clock, while all were in the height of enjoyment,—some talking and others singing, some laughing and others settling their accounts with the "Captain" (as he frequently announced himself), suddenly it was noised abroad that "supper was the next best thing on the programme" and the gentlemen were requested to conduct their ladies to the tables. In less time than it takes to get married, each young "swain" for we were all young, you know, and felt just as the poet (Holmes) has humorously expressed it, *"Old Time is a liar! We're twenty to-night"* was seen making for the dining-room, with his lover, or somebody else's. This was a sort of grab-game, like the early Romans in the days of Romulus. All being seated, the blessing having been pronounced by the Rev. and just before commencing to store away the good things that so wistfully stared each one in the face, the Capt., or better known as Squire Smith, with a neat and very appropriate little speech, in behalf of some special friends, presented to Rev. Wagoner a very elegant gold watch and chain. He recieved the valuable gift with grateful acknowledgents and in the most suited language gave expression to his feelings. All things being ready *consumption* was next in order, and although some expressed their disinclination for eating, we think it would have been better if they had said nothing but quietly commenced to eat, and left the observer to draw his own conclusion. Taking into consideration the quantity of biscuit, cake, ham, beans cheese, coffee, &c. which Moses, (not the one that was hid in the bulrushes) stored away, we would conclude that he, at least, did not have much inclination for eating, we mean after supper, of course. Suffice it to say that all done justice to the occasion. As for the cooks we have nothing to say more than that they did their part well. Fred., we understand, was the chief among them. Supper being over, all engaged in the various topics and amusements of the evening, enjoying themselves hugely.

The proceeds of the evening, were as follows:

Am't of cash recrived	$ 157 78
" Orders on store	16 00
	$173 78
Am't of Bills paid	8 24
Net proceeds	$165 54

Including the gold watch and chain, and a few other personal gifts, the gross amount of donation is upwards of two hundred and fifty dollars. This we think is doing most admirably. We have lived in different parts of the State, and as a matter of course, observed the "doings" of different classes of people, but we are free to confess that we have never seen a more liberal and a more charitable class with reference to religious support, than we have found here. The evening being spent, one after another withdrew fully appreciating "that it is far more blessed to give than to receive."

TREASURER.

Stray Notes From Bradford.

Sleighing has left us but the roads are not broken up yet.

The weather to-day is very spring-like and appreciated by the street loafer, of which Bradford has a number of specimens.

The Peg Leg R. R. begins to show signs of returning life.

The Biddell House is approaching completion with rapid strides.

Large crowds of people gather daily around the Oil Exchange, some on business, others from curiosity, and quite a number because they have nothing else to do.

The spacious offices of the United Pipe Lines are being filled up with new desks which looks like an increase of business.

Mr. Sayer, superintendent of the tank guagers, is preparing for the summer campaign and provided with a series of field maps of the whole Northern territory.

Onions, radishes and lettuce have made their appearance in the market.

The Episcopals will soon hold services in the Oil Exchange assembly room.

The Presbyterians have rented the Academy of Music for Sabbath church services and secured a pastor from New York, vice Rev. R. G. Williams resigned. Other denominations are provided for as formerly, and Bradford turns out to church in force.

The site of the old Bradford House is the only present indication of there having been a fire in Bradford; the last burnt district is all rebuilt.

Bradford, March, 10, '79. E. F.

PIPE-LINE VS. RAILROAD.—A dispatch from Williamsport dated Tuesday, the 11th inst., says:—The Tidewater Pipe Company, now laying pipe from the Bradford oil regions to this place, has applied to the Common Pleas Court of Lycoming County for a preliminary injunction to restrain the Elmira and Williamsport Railroad Company and the Northern Central Railroad Company, lessee, from interfering with the laying of pipe in the bed of the stream running under the bridge of the railroad company. The injunction was granted to-day. The pipe has already been laid through the stream, but was torn out by the railroad company.

MARRIED.

RIFLE—ELLIOTT.—At Cuba, March 1, 1879, by the Rev. J. J. Payne, Mr. JAMES A. RIFLE of Smethport, and Miss JULIA A. ELLIOTT, of North Fenton, Broome county, N. Y.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by The Bradford Gas Light and Heating Company for the charter of a corporation under the General Act authorizing the same approved April, 29th, 1874. The object of said company will be to supply the inhabitants of the borough or city of Bradford, M'Kean County, Pennsylvania, with natural or manufactured gas for lighting and heating purposes.

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 27th, 1879. 17-3t.

Dissolution.

The late firm of Johns & Boggs was dissolved on the 4th day of March, inst., by mutual consent. Wm. M. Boggs will continue the business at the same office, 33 Main street, Bradford, Pa.

H. C. JOHNS,
WILLIAM BOGGS.

17-3t.

BUSINESS LOCAL.

Would Prefer to "Do Without It."

No man will endure pain if he can help it. The pain of neuralgia, rheumatism, lame back, sore throat and kidney complaint can be quickly cured with Dr. Fenner's Golden Relief. His Cough Honey cures all coughs. 25c

AS ICE DISAPPEARS UNDER A JULY SUN,

So that hacking cough disappears under the use of "HAMILTON'S COUGH BALSAM." It soothes and heals the membrane of the lungs it remedies the night sweats and tightness across the chest, and is universally declared to be the best "balsam" extant. Those having *uselessly* tried many other remedies are speedily relieved by *this*.

Sample bottles, 25 cents. Large size 50 cts. For sale by A. B. Armstrong, Smethport. 15-15 a. o. w. ly

Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy, for the speedy and permanent cure for consumption, bronchitis, catarrh, asthma, and all throat and lung affections also a positive and radical cure for nervous debility and all nervous complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive, and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send, free of charge, to all who desire it, this receipt, with full directions for preparing and using, in German, French, or English. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp naming this paper, W. W. Sherar, 149 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y. 15-3t eow26t.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE WORLD'S BALM.

Dr. L. B. Wyman's Absorbine Syrup.

☞ A remedy used THIRTY-FIVE YEARS in a private practice, and never failing in Radically Cure

RHEUMATISM,

Dropsy, Erysipelas, Scrofula, Secondary Syphilis, Gravel, Diabetes, and all diseases in which the blood is implicated, is now offered to the public.

Sold by all Retail Druggists, and (wholesale only) by THE WYMYSLEY MEDICINE CO., P. O. Box 228, Rochester, N. Y. 11 6m.

PIMPLES.

I will mail (Free) the recipe for a simple VEGETABLE BALM that will remove TAN, FRECKLES, PIMPLES and BLOTCHES, leaving the skin soft, clear and beautiful; also instructions for producing a luxuriant growth of hair on a bald head or smooth face. Address, inclosing a 3c stamp, Rev. Vandelf & Co., 30 Ann St., N. Y. 16-11 6m

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The advertiser, having been permanently cured of that dread disease, Consumption, by a simple remedy, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (free of charge,) with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a SURE CURE for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, &c. Parties wishing the Prescription, will please address E. A. WILSON, 211 Penn St., Williamsburgh, N. Y. n11-6m

ERRORS OF YOUTH.

A GENTLEMAN who suffered for years from Nervous DEBILITY, PREMATURE DECAY, and all the effects of youthful indiscretion, will for the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all who need it, the recipe and direction for making the simple remedy by which he was cured. Sufferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's experience can do so by addressing in perfect confidence, JOHN B. OGDEN, 42 Cedar St., New York. v16n11 6m

PILES Of all kinds, TUMORS, discharges of BLOOD or WORMS, and all diseases of the RECTUM quickly and perfectly cured by a simple and soothing REMEDY. For information, address DR. J. PARKER & CO., 22 Ann St., N. Y.

THE GREAT ENGLISH REMEDY!

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Before Taking

After Taking

Full particulars in our pamphlets, which we desire to send free by mail to every one.

The Specific Medicine is sold by all Druggists at $1 per package, or six packages for $5, or will be sent by mail on receipt of the money by addressing THE GRAY MEDICINE CO., No. 10 Mechanics' Block, Detroit, Mich. Harris & Ewing, wholesale dealers, Pittsburg. ☞ Sold in Smethport by all Druggists and by all dealers everywhere. 15 52-1y

Miscellaneous Cards.

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ROBT. H. ROSE

authorized to receive moneys for me; also to purchase lands. He will give information generally, in any business of this Estate, in the County. His office is over

HASKILL & GIFFORD'S STORE.

ROBT. C. SIMPSON,
Agent of the Trustees.

WELLSBORO, Dec. 7th, 1878.

Land Office of the Bingham Estate.

WELLSBOROUGH, Penn'a, Feb'y 25, 1879.

All persons are hereby cautioned against going upon the unsold lands of this estate without proper authority therefor. An unauthorized entry upon the lands of the estate, by any person, for any purpose, will make such person or persons liable to prosecution for trespass.

Persons who have bought or leased lands of this estate have deeds, contracts, or leases. The deeds give exact descriptions of the lands to which they refer, and the contracts and leases have on them drafts which show their location. All claims to rights or privileges on lands of this estate, unaccompanied by such evidence, are without foundation, and will not be recognized.

(v14-n16 tf.) ROBT. C. SIMPSON, Agent of the Trustees.

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Miner Block, opp. the Public Square.

Smethport, Pa.

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Suits made to order promptly after the latest patterns.

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VEGETINE

Cured Her.

BELLEVUE, KY.

DR. H. R. STEVENS:

Dear Sir—I must state that your Vegetine deserves to be called a Valuable blood purifier, renovator and invigorator of the whole system. My wife suffered for a length of time with a *Scrofula Sore* on the leg. She took several bottles of Vegetine. The results were surprising; it cured her, while all the *Eminent* Physicians failed to give satisfaction.

Respectfully, C. F. TRICK.

I know the above to be true.

HENRY WERTHEIMER,
Druggist and Apothecary, 139 Monmouth St.

VEGETINE.—For eradicating all impurities of the blood from the system, it has no equal. It has never failed to effect a cure, giving tone and strength to the system debilitated by disease.

VEGETINE

Purifies the Blood.

BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 25, 1877.

MR. H. R. STEVENS:—

Dear Sir,—I have been using VEGETINE for some time with the greatest satisfaction, and can highly recommend it as a great cleanser and purifier of the blood.

J. H. HANAFORD,
Pastor of Eliot Church, Shawmut Ave.

NERVOUSNESS, and all derangements of the nervous system, are usually connected with a diseased condition of the blood. Debility is a frequent symptom. The first thing to be done is to improve the condition of the blood. This is accomplished by taking VEGETINE. It is a nerve medicine, and possesses a controlling power over the nervous system.

VEGETINE

Will Cure Rheumatism.

CINCINNATI, April 9, 1877.

MR. H. R. STEVENS:—

Dear Sir,—I have used your medicine, the Vegetine, for Rheumatism with great success, and believe it to be the best medicine for that complaint that I know. I also know it is a good blood purifier, and at the present time am using it as the most spring medicine that I know of. I take great pleasure in recommending the Vegetine to my friends.

H. MUND,
Clarion street.

THOUSANDS will bear testimony (and do it voluntarily), that VEGETINE is the best medical discovery ever placed before the public for preventing and purifying the blood, eradicating all humors, impurities, or poisonous matter from the system, invigorating and strengthening the system debilitated by disease; in fact, it is emphatically called a, "Universal Health Restorer."

VEGETINE

For Dyspepsia.

ASHLEY, ILL., Jan. 12, 1878.

H. R. STEVENS:—

Dear Sir,—I have been using Vegetine for *Dyspepsia*, and find more relief from it than all the other medicines I ever used. There is nothing like it for Dyspepsia.

MRS. M. E. FOWLER.

I am personally acquainted with Mrs Fowler, and can certify that the above statements is true.

W. C. PAGE, M. D.,
Druggist, Ashley, Ill.

THOUSANDS SPEAK.—Vegetine is acknowledged and recommended by physicians and apothecaries to be the best, purest and cleanest of the blood yet discovered, and thousands speak to its praise who have been restored to health.

VEGETINE

Prepared by

H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.

Vegetine is Sold by all Druggists.

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Commissioners' Statement

Of current expenses of McKean County from January 1, 1878, to January 7, 1878.

Grand and Traverse Jurors	$ 678 50
Court Criers, Tipstaves	256 00
Costs in Commonwealth cases	3826 88
Stenographer	466 80
Constable Returns	214 17
Jury Commissioners	123 70
Fees to Justices of the Peace	90 78
County Auditors (1877)	90 00
Lunatic Hospital bills	905 24
Jail Physician	258

Auditor's Report.

W. D. GALLUP, Treasurer of McKean county, in account with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the year 1878.

Retailers License.

	Dr.	
To amount of license	$2357 35	
By com. on $1000 @ 5 pr ct	Cr. 50 00	
" " " $1000 " 1 "	10 00	
" " " $257 35 @ ½ pr ct	1 19	
" St. Treas. receipts July 17, 1878	2000 00	
By St. Treas. receipts Jan. 4, 1879,	115 57	$2357 55

Tavern Licenses.

	Dr.	
To amount of Licenses	$ 7200 00	
" " due Co. Treasurer	49 75	$7249 75
By com. on $1000 @ 5 per cent	Cr. 50 00	
" " " $1000 " 2 "	20 00	
" " " $3200 " ½ " "	16 00	
" St. Treas. receipts April 3, 1878,	2238 00	
By St. Treas. receipt July 17, 1878,	4893 75	
By St. Treas. receipt Jan. 4, 1879,	199 00	$ 7349 75

Liquor Licenses.

	Dr.	
To amount of licenses	$ 800 00	
To amount due Co. Treasurer	63 5	$ 809 05
By com. on $800 @ 5 per cent	Cr. 40 00	
By St. Treas. receipt April 3, 1878,	402 75	
By St. Treas. receipt July 17, 1878,	336 30	$ 809 05

Mining House Licenses.

	Dr.	
To amount of licenses	$ 540 00	
To amount due Treasurer	28 50	$ 568 50
By com. on $570 @ 5 per cent	Cr. $ 27 00	
By St. Treas. receipt April 3,	37 45	
" " " July 17,	465 50	
" " " Jan. 4,	18 05	$ 568 50

Billiard Licenses.

	Dr.	
To amount of Licenses	$ 734 37	$ 734 37
By com. on $734 37 @ 5 pr cent	Cr. $ 37 70	
By St. Treas. receipt July 17, 1878,	446 12	
By St. Treas. receipt Jan. 4, 1879,	310 75	$ 734 57

Auctioneer's Licenses.

	Dr.	
To amount of Licenses	$ 5 00	$ 5 00
By com. on $5 00 @ 5 pr cent	Cr. $ 25	
By St. Treasurer receipt Jan. 4, 1879,	4 75	$ 5 00

Peddler's Licenses.

	Dr.	
To amount of Licenses	$ 30 00	$ 30 00
By com. on $30 @ 5 per cent	Cr. $ 1 50	
By St. Treas. receipt July 17, 1878,	28 50	$ 30 00

Tax on Loans.

	Dr.	
To amt of tax on 1,900 00 county bonds	$7 02	
By com on $7 02 at 5 per cent	Cr. 2 85	
By state treasurer's receipt	54 17	56 62

We, the Auditors of McKean County, having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. D. Gallup, Treasurer of said county, in account with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the year 1878, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, Pa., this 15th day of January, A. D. 1879.

JNO. J. ROBARTS, (Seal.)
C. L. BELLOWS, (Seal.)
Auditors.

W. D. GALLUP, Treasurer of McKean county, in account with the County Jail and Dog Funds of said county for the year 1878.

County Funds.

	Dr.	
To amount of seated tax collected for 1877,	$ 944 94	
To amount of seated tax collected for 1878,	9487 01	
To amount of State tax collected for 1877	27 26	
To amount of State tax collected for 1878	93 77	
To amount of watch tax collected for 1877	16 15	
To amount of watch tax collected for 1878	37 00	
To Bond sold Mrs Hamlin	970 00	
" " Mrs Catlin	200 00	
Com'th fines of Sheriff King	135 00	
Sale of county map	6 00	
To Lafayette seated tax collected by Co. Com'rs 1876 and 1877	29 35	
Wood sold Henry Sarliwell	5 00	
To Ceres seated tax collected by Co. Com'rs, 1877	1 75	
To tax of collector Shoemaker after settlement of duplicate	90	
To amount of unseated tax collected for 1876 and 1877	13398 77	
To amount due Treasurer on county fund	12769 79	$40088 07
By am't due Treas. on Co. Fund at last Auditors' Report	$9628 31	
To orders paid in and cancelled	29440 60	
By Commissioners		
To commission on $27318,88 at 3 per cent.	819 56	$40088 07

Jail Fund.

	Dr	
To am't due fund at last Auditors' Report	$7985 71	
To am't seated tax collected for 1877	700 15	
am't seated tax collected for '78	2249 02	
am't unseated tax collected for 1876 and 1877	8952 68	$20087 56
By Jail Bonds ($6000) and coupons ($1368) paid	9368 00	
com. on $12824,85 at 3 per ct.	384 95	
Amount due fund	11064 61	$20817 56

Dog Fund.

	DR	
To tax collected for 1877	$147 80	
" " 1878	492 80	
Am't due fund at Auditors' Report, 1877	21 44	642 60
By orders paid in for damages to sheep	Cr. $482 70	
com. on $685,65 at 3 per ct.	16 92	
Balance due fund	132 97	642 60

We, the Auditors of McKean county having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. D. Gallup, Treasurer of said county, in account with the County Jail and Dog funds of said county for the year 1878 do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, Pa., this 15th day of January, A. D 1879.

JNO J. ROBARTS, [Seal.]
C. L. BELLOWS, [Seal.]
Auditors.

W. D. GALLUP, Treasurer of McKean county, in account with the Redemption fund of said county for the year 1878.

To amount due fund at Auditor's Report 1877,	$2 840 42	
To funds redeemed, funds in Treasurer's hands	389 15	$3 229 56
Amount due Redemption fund		$3229 56

We, the Auditors of McKean county having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. D. Gallup, Treasurer of said county, in account with the Redemption fund for the year 1878 do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, Pa., this 15th day of January, A. D. 1879.

JNO J. ROBARTS [Seal.]
C. L. BELLOWS, [Seal.]
Auditors.

W. E. GALLUP, Treasurer of McKean county, in account with the school funds of said county for the year 1877-8.

Annin Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due funds at last Auditor's report,	$ 870 00	
To amount tax collected for 1877,	198 48	
To Amount tax collected for 1878,	79 89	$ 547 97
By order paid over	Cr. $ 370 00	
By com. on $247 97 @ 5 pr cent	9 84	
Balance due fund	269 53	$ 547 97

Bradford Township.

	Dr.	
To tax collected for 1877	$ 1 148 61	
" " " 1878	1 863 09	$ 3 011 70
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 900 00	
By com. on $2,251,70 @ 5 pr ct	98 98	
Balance due fund	1 012 72	$ 3011 70

Ceres Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due at Auditor's report 1877	$ 59 92	
To tax collected for 1877	145 70	
" " " 1878	83 85	$ 289 47
By orders paid over	Cr. $ 211 92	
By com. on $289 55 @ 5 per cent	8 69	
Balance due fund	8 86	$ 289 47

Corydon Township.

	Dr.	
To tax collected for 1877	$ 618 45	
" " " 1878	309 21	$ 927 66
By order paid over	Cr. $ 700 00	
By com. on $927,66 @ 5 per cent	27 82	
Balance due fund	199 84	$ 927 66

Bingel Township.

	Dr.	
To tax collected for 1877	$ 204 15	
" tax " " 1878	187 26	$ 391 41
By orders paid in	Cr. $ 360 00	
By com. on $391,41 @ 5 pr ct	11 72	
Balance due fund	19 67	$ 391 41

Hamlin Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due as per Auditor's report 1877	45 00	
To tax collected for 1877	1 065 15	
" " " 1878	1 065 15	2 179 30
By orders paid over	Cr. $ 1950 00	
By com. on $2,130,30 @ 3 pr ct	63 91	
Balance due fund	1 146 39	12 179 30

Hamilton Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	$ 10 00	
To amount tax collected for 1877	573 25	
To amount tax collected for '78	308 17	$ 895 42
By orders paid over	Cr. $ 765 00	
By com. on $830,45 @ 5 pr ct	25 76	
Balance due fund	17 77	$ 908 33

Keating Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	$ 794 02	
To am't tax collected for '77	688 25	
" " " '78	466 66	$1 944 53
By orders paid over	Cr. $1 040 26	
By com. on $1,120.01 @ 3 pr ct	33 60	
Balance due fund	161 41	$1 244 58

Lafayette Township.

	Dr.	
To am't due fund last Auditor's report	$ 146 85	
To amount tax collected for '77	1 067 72	
" " " '78	776 22	$1 990 80
By orders paid in	Cr. 1 646 08	
By com. on $1,793,94 @ 3 pr ct	53 69	
Balance due fund	239 43	$1 939 80

Liberty Township.

	Dr.	
To tax collected for 1877	$ 6332 22	
" " " 1878	949 98	1383 20
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 330 05	
By com. on $1,582,30 @ 3 pr ct	47 50	
Balance due fund	185 30	$1 365 30

Norwich Township.

	Dr.	
To tax collected for 1877	$ 488 13	
" " " 1878	488 10	$ 976 30
By orders paid over	Cr. 900 00	
By com. on $976,30 @ 3 pr ct	29 29	
Balance due fund	147 01	$ 976 30

Otto Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due fund at Auditor's report 1877	$ 17 11	
To tax collected for 1877	238 56	
" " " 1878	239 56	$ 494 73
By orders paid over	Cr. 457 11	
By com. on $477,73 @ 3 pr ct	14 34	
Balance due fund	23 31	$ 494 73

Sergeant Township.

	Dr.	
To amo't due at last Auditor's report 1877	95 00	
To amount tax collected for '77	1 478 28	
" " " '78	1 302 67	98 895 95
By orders paid in	Cr. $1 193 00	
By com. on $2,772,17 at 3 pr ct	83 47	
Balance due fund	703 70	$2 799 17

Ceres Township.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	$ 135 80	
" " 1877	111 80	
" spec'l " 1876	123 30	
" " 1877	111 80	$ 471 20
By orders paid over	Cr. $ 392 80	
By com. on $471 20 at 3 pr ct	14 14	
Balance due fund	105 06	$ 471 20

Corydon Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due fund And rep 1877	$ 5 00	
" tax collected for 1876	410 39	
" " 1877	410 39	
" spec'l tax coll for 1876	618 45	
" " 1877	618 45	$ 2 062 64
By orders paid over	Cr. $ 1 899 25	
By com on $2,037,64 at 3 per ct	61 73	
Balance due fund	312 66	$2 063 64

Eldred Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due fund at last Auditor's report	$ 3 03	
To amt tax collected for 1876	134 10	
" " 1877	138 10	
" spec'l tax " 1876	136 10	
" " 1877	69 05	$ 481 83
By orders paid over	Cr. $355 03	
By Com on $476,35 at 3 per ct	14 29	
Balance due fund	112 01	$ 481 33

Hamlin Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due at Aud rep 1877	$ 376 78	
" tax collected for 1876	710 10	
" " 1877	710 10	$1,804 98
By orders paid over	Cr. $1 416 03	
By com on $1,620,20 at 3 pr ct	42 61	
Balance due fund	$ 237 35	$1,696 98

Hamilton Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due at Aud rep 1877	$ 305 75	
" tax collected for 1876	573 26	
" " 1877	573 26	$1,452 47
By orders paid over	Cr. $1 416 75	
By com on $1,144 75 at 3 pr ct	34 34	
Balance due fund	5 38	$1 459 47

Keating Township.

	Dr.	
To amt tax coll for 1876	$ 675 65	
" " 1877	672 66	
" special " 1876	686 90	
" " 1877	686 90	$2,421 09
By orders paid over	Cr. $1 700 00	
By com on $2,421,09 at 3 pr ct	72 63	
Balance due fund	648 46	$2,421 09

Lafayette Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due fund at last Auditor's report	$ 860 97	
To amt tax coll for 1876	776 22	
" " 1877	775 22	1 835 71
By orders paid over	Cr. $1 776 97	
By com on 1,550,44 at 3 pr ct	46 51	
Balance due fund	108 46	1 955 71

Liberty Township.

	Dr.	
To amt due fund at Auditor's report 1877	1 66	
To amt tax collected for 1876	633 82	
" " 1877	638 32	1 908 24
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 895 00	
By com. on 1,906,24 at 3 pr ct	57 33	
Balance due fund	135 56	1 908 24

Norwich Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	153 11	
To amt tax collected for 1876	926 30	
" " 1877	926 30	
" spec'l " 1876	292 40	2 400 11
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 900 11	
By com. on $2,245 at 3 pr ct	67 35	
Balance due fund	332 65	2 400 11

Otto Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	27 11	
To amt tax collected for 1876	238 56	
" " 1877	238 56	504 23
By orders paid over	Cr. 475 00	
By com. on 477,11 at 3 pr ct	14 31	
Balance due fund	23 33	504 23

Sergeant Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	222 29	
To amt tax collected for 1876	868 44	
" " 1877	868 44	1 959 17
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 338 29	
By com. on 1 726 58 at 3 pr ct	52 11	
Balance due fund	533 77	1 959 17

Wetmore Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	1 353 90	
To amt tax collected for 1876	1 065 25	
" " 1877	1 065 25	3 269 90
By orders paid over	Cr. 2 553 90	
By com. on 1,805,92 at 3 pr ct	57 17	
Balance due fund	658 73	3 269 90

We, the Auditors of McKean County, having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. D. Gallup, Treasurer of said county, in account with the Road funds of the several townships of said county for 1876-77, do find them as above stated.

JNO. J. ROBARTS, (Seal.)
C. L. BELLOWS, (Seal.)
Auditors.

W. D. GALLUP, Treasurer of McKean County, in account with the State Road funds of the several townships of said county for the years 1877 and 1878.

Hamilton Township.
Kane and Campbell Mills State Road.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1878		472 26
By com. on 472 26 at 3 pr ct	Cr. 17 17	
Balance due fund	355 19	372 36

Sergeant Township.
Kane and Ridgway State Road.

	Dr.	
To amt of tax collected for 1876	603 44	
" " 1877	603 44	1 726 88
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 500 00	
By com. on 1,726,88 at 3 pr ct	52 11	
Balance due fund	174 77	1 726 88

Hamlin Township.
Kane and Lafayette State Road.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	710 10	
" " 1877	710 10	1 420 20
By order paid over	Cr. 1 380 00	
By com. on 1,420,20 at 3 pr ct	42 61	
Balance due fund	77 59	1 420 20

Lafayette Township.
Kane and Lafayette State Road.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	775 22	
" " 1877	775 22	1 550 44
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 500 00	
By com. on 1,550,44	46 51	
Balance due fund	103 93	1 550 44

Wetmore Township.
Kane and Lafayette State Road.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	902 96	
" " 1877	903 96	1 805 92
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 780 00	
By com. on 1,805,92 at 3 pr ct	67 16	
Balance due fund	158 74	1 905 92

We, the Auditors of McKean County having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. D. Gallup, Treasurer of said county, in account with the State Road funds of the several townships in said county, do find them as above stated.

JNO. J. ROBARTS (seal.)
C. L. BELLOWS, (seal.)

W. D. GALLUP, Treasurer of McKean County, in account with the Poor funds of said county for 1876-77.

Annin Township.

	Dr	
To amt tax collected for 1876	198 48	
" " 1877	198 48	396 96
By orders paid over	Cr	
com. on 396,96 at 3 per ct	11 91	
Balance due fund	5 85	396 96

Bradford Township.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	899 09	
" " 1877	1 883 09	$ 782 18
By orders paid over	Cr. 1 6 0 00	
" com. on 1,782,18 at 3 per ct	83 47	
Balance due fund	1 698 71	3 782 18

Ceres Township.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	123 80	
" " 1876	123 80	
" " 1877	111 80	359 40
Orders paid over	Cr. 178 00	
Com. on 359,40 at 3 per cent	10 78	
Balance due fund	172 62	359 40

Eldred Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	7 01	
To amt tax collected for 1876	65 05	72 06
Com. on 68,05 at 3 per cent	1 01	
Balance due fund	71 05	72 06

Keating Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	82 75	
To amt tax collected for 1877	336 82	419 57
Orders paid over	Cr. 292 75	
Com. on 336 82 at 3 per cent	10 10	
Balance due fund	126 72	419 57

Lafayette Township.

	Dr.	
To amt of tax collected for 1876		387 61
Orders paid over	Cr. 300 00	
Com. on 336,61 at per cent	11 65	
Balance due fund	75 96	387 61

Liberty Township.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1876	506 24	
" " 1877	506 24	1 012 48
Orders paid over	Cr. 900 00	
Com. on 1,012,48 at 3 per cent	30 37	
Balance due fund	82 11	1 012 48

Norwich Township.

	Dr.	
To amt of tax collected for 1876	60 02	60 50
Com. on 60,02 at 3 per cent	Cr. 1 82	
Balance due fund	58 70	60 52

Otto Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877		53 45
Order paid over	Cr.	53 45

Sergeant Township.

	Dr.	
To amt tax collected for 1877		434 23
Order paid over	Cr. 400 00	
Com. on 434,23 at 3 per cent	13 01	
Balance due fund	21 29	434 23

Wetmore Township.

	Dr.	
To amount due fund at Auditor's report 1877	51 60	
To amt of tax collected for 1876	854 90	
" " 1877	1182 96	1 037 61
Orders paid over	Cr. 1 237 00	
Com. on 1,093,92 at 3 per cent	37 18	
Balance due fund	643 74	1 037 61

We, the Auditors of McKean County having examined the accounts and vouchers of W. D. Gallup, Treasurer of said county, in account with the Poor funds of the several townships of said county for the years 1876-77, do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, Pa., this 15th day of January, A. D. 1879.

JNO. J. ROBARTS, [Seal.]
C. L. BELLOWS, [Seal.]

RECAPITULATION

of account of Treasurer, W. D. Gallup, with the several funds of McKean county, for the year 1878.

	Cr.	
By amount due Treasurer on county fund	$12 769 79	
Balance due county	15 801 85	27,777.64
To amt due jail fund	Dr. $11 064 61	
" dog fund	132 97	
" redemption	3 229 56	
" Annin school	269 53	
" Bradford do	1 254 77	
" Ceres do	8 86	
" Corydon do	199 84	
" Eldred do	19 67	
" Hamlin do	1 146 39	
" Hamilton do	77 77	
" Keating do	191 41	
" Lafayette do	228 45	
" Liberty do	145 80	
" Norwich do	147 01	
" Otto do	48 31	
" Sergeant do	533 77	
" Wetmore do	647 73	
" Smethport boro	290 58	
" Annis road fund	67 73	
" Bradford do	263 70	
" Ceres do	105 00	
" Corydon do	319 60	
" Eldred do	112 05	
" Hamlin do	287 55	
" Hamilton do	3 54	
" Keating do	646 45	
" Lafayette do	102 93	
" Liberty do	135 34	
" Norwich do	836 56	
" Otto do	22 33	
" Sergeant do	536 71	
" Wetmore do	999 75	
Amt due Hamilton, Kane and Campbell Mills state road	355 19	
Amt due sergeant, Kane and Ridgway state road	164 77	
Amt due Hamlin, Kane and Lafayette state road	77 59	
Amt due Lafay. tio. Kane and Lafayette state road	103 93	
Amt due Wetmore, Kane and Lafayette state road	158 74	
Amt due Annis poor fund	5 85	
" Bradford do	1 098 71	
" Ceres do	178 03	
" Eldred do	172 62	
" Keating do	125 72	
" Lafayette do	75 96	
" Liberty do	82 11	
" Norwich do	336 70	
" Sergeant	21 29	
" Wetmore	658 74	27,777.64

We, the Auditors of McKean county, having examined the accounts and vouchers of Thomas L. Kane, James Heap and A. Anderson, Commissioners of the Kane and Lafayette state Road in account with the funds of said road for the years 1877 and 1878 do find them as above stated.

Witness our hands and seals at Smethport, Pa., this 29th day of February, A. D. 1879.

JNO. J. ROBARTS, (Seal)
C. L. BELLOWS, (Seal)

Chester S. King, late Sheriff of McKean county, in account with said county for the year 1878.

	Cr.	
By three days filling jury wheel and drawing jury Feb term	$ 7 50	
By one day drawing jury for adj Feb term	2 50	
By two days drawing jury for adj June and Sept term	5 00	
By one day drawing jury for December term	2 50	
By summoning 420 jurors 1878	126 00	
" holding, clothing and maintaining jurors for pail as per vouchers presented statement died	272 87	
paid Potter & Valentine	10 00	
Wm Albern, ten days attending scoop		
boarding Jas Fahy Jan 1 to Mch 29 '78, 13½ weeks	40 50	
boarding Phil Regan Jan 1 to Mch 4, 9 weeks	36 00	
boarding J Jn Brown Jan 1 to Feb 28, 8 8-7 weeks	33 71	
boarding Chas Bates Jan 1 to March 8, 9 1-7 weeks	38 57	
boarding Mary Lewis Jan 1 to June 24, 25 weeks	100 00	
boarding D. Driscoll Jan 1 to March 5, 9 weeks	36 00	
boarding W Gregory Jan 1 to Oct 1, 39 weeks	156 00	
boarding W Reynolds Jan 17 to Mch 4, 6 3-7 weeks	25 71	
boarding W Brennan Jan 21 to March 4, 6 weeks	24 00	
boarding Ed Duffy Feb 14 to Mch 5, 3 4-7 weeks	16 98	
boarding A Carlisle Feb 27 to March 4, 3-7 week	1 71	
boarding Wm Ahern Feb 28 to July 5, 18 1-7 weeks	72 57	
boarding James Ryan Feb 28 to March 5, 5-7 week	2 85	
boarding S Downing Apr 15 to June 21, 9 5-7 weeks	38 00	
boarding H Nalon Apr 15 to June 20, 10 weeks	40 00	
boarding Mrs Wayatt Apr 15 to April 30, 2 weeks	8 00	
boarding John Joice Apr 27 to June 22, 8 weeks	32 00	
boarding Albert Kale Apr 28 to June 21, 8 weeks	32 00	
boarding M Wood Apr 26 to Sept 27, 22 weeks	88 00	
boarding John Miner May 2 to June 25, 7 4-7 weeks	30 29	
boarding Geo Hunter May 2 to June 25, 7 4-7 weeks	30 29	
board'g Wm McClure May 2 to June 25, 7 4-7 weeks	30 29	
boarding J. R. Rinnies May 14 to June 26, 5 5-7 weeks	21 14	
boarding Geo Montgomery May 15 to June 21, 5 3-7 weeks	21 71	
boarding S. T. Wilbrop May 15 to May 18, 6-7	1 71	
boarding Fr Espeschied May 15 to June 21, 5 5-7 weeks,	22 86	
boarding John Donohue May 15 to June 25, 7 weeks	28 00	
boarding Jacob Lord May 21 to June 18, 4 weeks	16 00	$1,678 30
boarding Francis O'Dell	20 00	
boarding Stephen Moran	28 00	
boarding Chs Wilson May 23 to June 24, 4 4-7 wks	18 28	
boarding R. W. Luce May 23 to June 18, 3 5-7 wks	13 71	
boarding S. Pavlee May 29 to June 25, 3 5-7 wks	14 85	
boarding Lewis Norris May 29 to June 22, 3 2-7 weeks	13 14	
boarding Fred Crain May 27 to June 28, 4 2-7 weeks	17 14	
boarding Geo Mackey June 1 to June 25, 3 6-7 weeks	14 28	
boarding J. Jn Dolin June 10 to June 18, 1 1-7 wks	4 57	
boarding Wm Shoop June 13 to Oct 1, 13 weeks	60 00	
boarding Wm Hallenbeck June 27 to Sept 28, 13 wks	52 00	
boarding P A Spanglenboy July 9 to Sept 28, 12 wks	48 00	
boarding W H Thomas July 9 to Sept 27, 11 wks	44 00	
boarding Jno Brown July 21 to Sept 29, 10 weeks	40 00	
boarding John Flanagan July 23 to Sept 28, 9 2-7 weeks	37 14	
boarding W Shirk July 26 to Sept 28, 9 1-7 weeks	36 57	
boarding Geo Brewer July 27 to Aug 7, 1 4-7 weeks	6 28	
boarding Jas Shafer July 29 to Sept 28, 8 6-7 weeks	31 42	
boarding Tim Costello Au 2 to Aug 21, 2 4-7 weeks	10 85	
boarding Oscar Bo'ce Aug 5 to Sept 28, 7 5-7 weeks	29 71	
boarding George Williams Aug 5 to Oct 1, 8 weeks	32 00	
boarding Rich'd O'Reilly Aug 5 to Sept 27, 7 4-7 wks	29 29	
boarding W Brewer Aug 10 to Sept 28, 7 weeks	28 00	
boarding Ed Hall Aug 10 to Sept 28, 7 weeks	28 00	
boarding J Mabey Aug 10 to Oct 1, 7 5-7 weeks	29 71	
boarding Wm Slow Aug 10 to Sept 23, 6 2-7 weeks	25 14	
boarding Jerry Dempsey Aug 16 to Sept 28, 6 3-7 weeks	23 85	
boarding Robert Harmes May 26 to Sept 28, 17 4-7 weeks	70 28	
boarding Frank Peters Aug 20 to Sept 1 6-7 wks	7 43	
boarding Jas Peters Aug 29 to Sept 2, 1 5-7 weeks	7 43	
boarding David Williams Aug 28 to Oct 1, 5 weeks	20 00	
boarding Thos Flynn Aug 29 to Oct 1, 5 weeks	20 00	
boarding Chas Davis Sept 5 to Oct 4, 3 4-7 weeks	14 28	
boarding Mah Ryan Aug 31 to Sept 15, 2 weeks	8 00	
boarding Jas Stuart Sept 3 to Sept 12, 1 2-7 weeks	5 14	
boarding C C Herrs Sept 14 to Sept 24, 1 5-7 weeks	6 85	
boarding P Nelson Sept 21 to Sept 27, 6-7 wk	2 43	
boarding Ed Clark Sept 12 to Sept 28, 2 weeks	8 00	
boarding Wm Delany Sept 12 to Sept 28, 2 weeks	8 00	$ 427 67
boarding Andy Tracy Sep 24 to Sep 27, 1 week	4 00	
boarding M J Stalwell Sep 27 to Oct 1, 5-7 week	2 14	
boarding Hop Sing Sep 27 to Oct 1, 1-7 week	3 85	
boarding T Tyrrell Sept 27 to Jan 8, '79, 14 5-7 weeks	44 14	
boarding Jas Shafer Nov 29 to Jan 8, 14 4-7 weeks	43 71	
boarding P. A. Spanglenburgh Sept 28 to Oct 2, 33-7 weeks	10 28	
boarding W A Hallenbeck Sept 26 to Jan 8, 14 6-7 weeks	44 57	
boarding Wm Sloupe Oct 1 to Jan 8, 14 1-7 weeks	42 43	
boarding W Burker Sept 30 to Dec 21, 11 5-7 weeks	35 14	
boarding Jacob Piper Sep 30 to Jan 8, 14 2-7 weeks	42 86	
boarding Mike Kelly Oct 2 to Dec 21, 11 3-7 weeks	34 29	
boarding Pat Clifford Oct 5 to Dec 24, 12 3-7 weeks	34 28	
boarding Wm Mullin Oct 7 to Oct 22, 2 1-7 weeks	6 43	
boarding Al Wilson Oct 12 to Dec 28, 10 1-7 weeks	30 43	
boarding John White Oct 12 to Dec 28, 11 weeks	33 00	
boarding John Burns Oct 12 to Dec 30, 11 3-7 weeks	33 86	
boarding Chas Dooley Oct 14 to Oct 28, 1 2-7 weeks	3 86	
boarding E Fert Oct 14 to Nov 11, 4 weeks	12 00	
boarding J. Bivaine Oct 19 to Dec 28, 10 5-7 weeks	31 28	
boarding Susan Elmore Oct 19 to Nov 19, 4 2-7 weeks	13 86	
boarding J H Duane Oct 19 to Nov 18, 4 2-7 weeks	13 86	
boarding Jas Lovel Oct 19 to Nov 16, 4 5-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding W Shirk Oct 21 to Jan 8, 11 2-7 weeks	33 43	
boarding E York Oct 23 to Oct 28, 3-7 week	1 28	
boarding W C Strait Oct 24 to Nov 19, 3 5-7 weeks	11 14	
boarding Thos Davis Oct 29 to Nov 28, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Jas Mills Nov 7 to Dec 22, 6 3-7 weeks	19 29	
boarding Frank Williams Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 wks	12 86	
boarding Ed White Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Wm Fuller Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Mich'l Berry Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Thos Williams Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 wks	12 86	
boarding Jno Higgins Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Wm Burton Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Fred Long Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding J Massina Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	
boarding Fr Conley Nov 7 to Dec 7, 4 2-7 weeks	12 86	$ 178 07
boarding Geo Morris Nov 8 to Dec 24 0 2-7 weeks	18 00	
boarding John McKover Nov 9 to Dec 27 1 1-7 wks	21 43	
boarding E Maynard Nov 16 to Dec 21 5 weeks	15 00	
boarding T O'Donnell Nov 16 to Dec 21 5 weeks	15 00	
boarding Geo Tay or Nov 18 to Jan 8, 7 weeks	21 43	
boarding Fib Long Nov 19 to Nov 22 3-7 week	1 28	
boarding Jos Shafer Nov 19 to Nov 22 3-7 week	1 28	
boarding Israel Lamb Nov 19 to Dec 24 5 weeks	15 00	
boarding Ed Conners Nov 19 to Dec 20 5 6-7 weeks	17 29	
boarding Peter Shaffer Nov 23 to Dec 20 5 3-7 w	15 00	
boarding John Lynch Nov 23 to Dec 20 5 2-7 weeks	15 00	
boarding Tho Hughes Nov 23 to Dec 20 5 2-7 weeks	15 00